

BAR ASSOCIATION  
OF SAN FRANCISCO

A HISTORY 1829-1929



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# THE BAR ASSOCIATION OF SAN FRANCISCO

## *An Illustrated History*

From 1872 to 1924

The records of the Bar Association of San Francisco and the books of its officers were destroyed in the fire of 1906.

Sufficient facts and illustrations have been secured and included in these pages to make a connected history of the Association from its organization to date.

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## FOREWORD

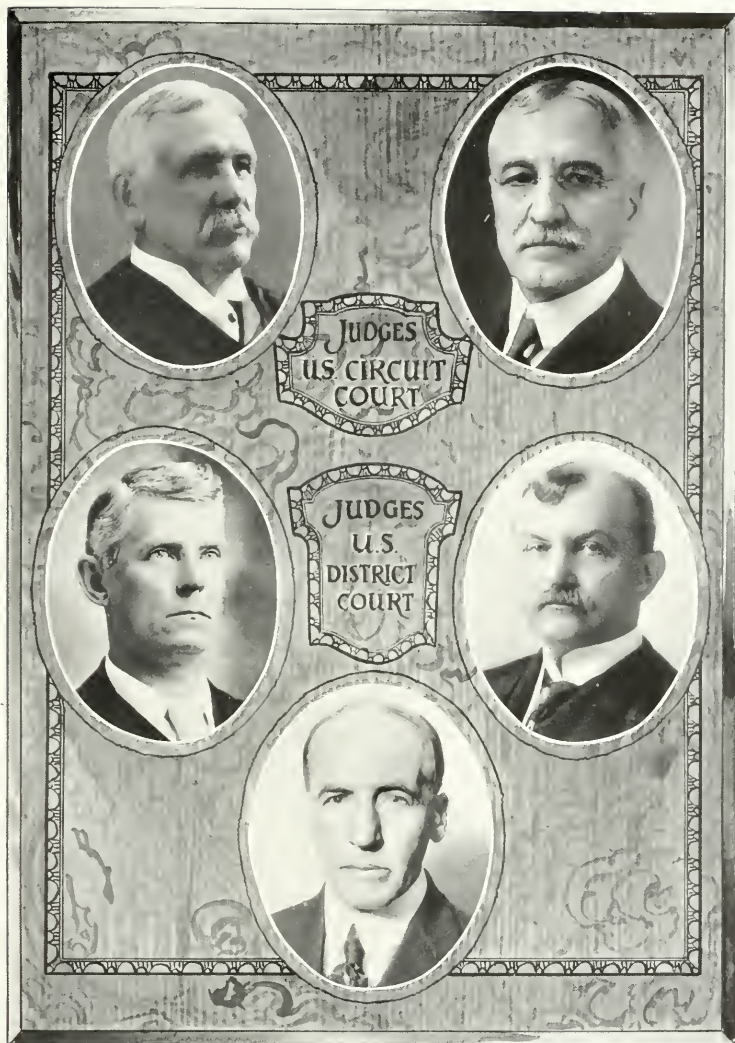
The pages of this book present an outline of the career and activities of the Bar Association of San Francisco during its existence of a little over half a century. It is one of the oldest three or four bar associations in the United States. It now stands second to no other similar association in America in relative membership strength, and in energy and continuity of purpose and service. Its aims are the promotion of beneficial legislation in behalf of the better administration of justice, the maintenance of professional standards and the cultivation of high ideals and a spirit of unity and fraternity in the legal profession.

Owing to the complete destruction of the Association's records in the San Francisco fire of 1906, the only sources of information covering its first thirty-four years have been the newspaper files and recollections of a few of the older members. Judge W. W. Morrow, of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at San Francisco, who is the only surviving charter member and an ex-president of the Association, has contributed valuable aid. Judge Jeremiah F. Sullivan, for seven years its devoted president and one of the oldest surviving members, has been much interested in its historical record, as well as in its present and future career, and has given invaluable aid in securing accuracy of the record. Thanks are due to other old members who have helped in similar ways. To Secretary George J. Martin are due thanks for his courteous and unfailing service as a fountain of information. Thanks are also due to the administration of the State Library at Sacramento for their usual willing service in transcribing entries in their indexes to old San Francisco newspaper files. The Bar Association was only rarely and briefly noted by the press until recent years, when it began to emerge as a more active factor in legislative and other public affairs. A most valuable source of information about Association affairs has been the files of "The Recorder," the daily journal of the legal field.

The publisher of this history, Arthur Wheeler, has derived his chief motive for the enterprise from the fact that his father, Alfred Wheeler, was one of the old members of the Association, being one of thirty who became life members through the provision of a library in 1885, and for many years a trustee and an active worker.



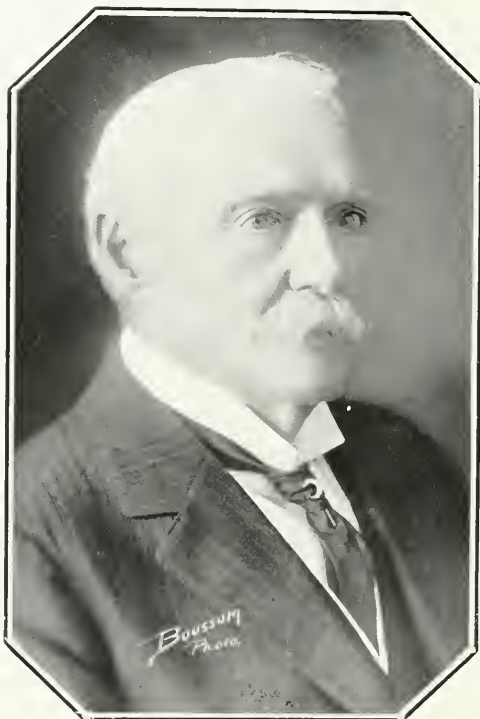




WILLIAM W. MORROW  
MAURICE T. DOOLING

JOHN S. PARTRIDGE

WILLIAM H. HUNT  
WILLIAM C. VAN FLEET



*The President*  
JEREMIAH F. SULLIVAN

Judge Sullivan made a remarkable success of his administration of the office of President during the seven years, 1917-1924. By his untiring energy and persistence he raised the membership from 360 to the more than 1200 enrolled when he voluntarily retired from the office in January, 1924, to devote his energies to the Presidency of the California Bar Association, to which he was elected in October, 1923. As related elsewhere, he labored ceaselessly in behalf of the ideals of his profession and initiated many measures for the betterment of the Association and of the administration of justice. At the annual meeting in January, 1924, he received many tributes of loyalty and affection, prompted by his high character, genial nature and wise and vigorous service during the seven most fruitful years of the Association's history. He entered the profession in 1874, made a distinguished record on the bench during ten years succeeding 1879, and since then has been a leader of the bar as a practitioner.



*Senior Vice-President*  
BEVERLY L. HODGHEAD

Mr. Hodghead has been a worker and valued advisor in the Association for many years, and also in the California Bar Association. At the end of 1925 he was in charge of the drive which was planned to carry the membership to 1300. He was made president in January, 1923. He is a university graduate, has been mayor of Berkeley, president of the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco and otherwise a leader in civic life. He is chief counsel of a great corporation and is professionally associated with other large affairs.

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# The Association of Today

"The Association is established to maintain the honor and dignity of the profession of the law, to increase its usefulness in promoting the due administration of justice, and to cultivate social intercourse among its members."

The members of the Bar Association of San Francisco, composing the official organization of 1923, given on the opposite page, have been making a splendid record in carrying out the objects of the organization broadly summarized in the section of the constitution given. They are not all of the current executive machinery, for many special committees have labored along different lines during the year, as in all preceding years, and voluntary co-operation comes constantly from many individual members. The Bar Association of San Francisco is thoroughly alive and is at the highest peak of success reached during its fifty-two years. This is written at the close of the remarkably fruitful seven-year period of the presidency of Judge Jeremiah F. Sullivan, whose administration has been an inspiration and a triumph.

The need for the organized efforts of the Bar and the Bench, to correct evils and weaknesses in the administration of justice in America, has never been greater than now; never before has the Bar of the country been so thoroughly awakened to its share of the responsibility for the delays of justice and the low esteem in which the legal profession and the judicial system are often held in the public mind. In recent years there has been a large increase in the number of bar associations, local, county and state, and a marked growth in membership. More and more bar associations throughout the country are discussing the problems of speedier procedure, the maintenance of professional standards, the discipline of the bar and means to promote respect for law and the courts of justice.

The Bar Association of San Francisco stands now in the forefront of such American institutions, as the succeeding outline of its record shows. Its membership of over 1200 attorneys and judges is not exceeded in relative strength in any larger city. It organized the vigorous California Bar Association a number of years ago and is the most active supporter of it among the constituent organizations. It has given strong co-operation to the American Bar Association through the years and was its host at the annual convention in San Francisco in 1922. It has initiated a long series of proposed constitutional and code amendments for the legislature and the initiative and referendum, and many have become effective. For some years, and now more vigorously than ever, the Association has been working toward the creation of an incorporated and self-governing Bar, giving the organized legal profession jurisdiction over admission to practice and misconduct on the part of attorneys. This is the leading purpose of the California Bar Association at the end of 1923.



*Junior Vice-President*  
HENRY E. MONROE

Henry E. Monroe has long given much service to the Association in committee work, on the Board of Governors and as vice-president in 1923. At the annual meeting in January, 1924, he became Senior Vice-President. He is chief counsel for the California-Pacific Title Insurance Company.



C. J. GOODELL



EDWARD HOHFELD



JOSEPH J. WEBB

### THREE OF THE GOVERNORS

These three members have been forceful factors in the affairs of the Association in recent years. Under the present constitution the Board of Governors is composed of the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and three members elected to the Board annually. Mr. Goodell and Mr. Webb have served on the Board since 1920 and Mr. Hohfeld for two years.



**GEORGE J. MARTIN**

For twenty-seven years George J. Martin has daily given faithful attention to the affairs of the Bar Association at its headquarters. He became librarian May, 1896, when the secretary was some loyal member with a law practice, giving free service. In 1901 Mr. Martin was made permanent secretary and librarian. He has also been registrar of Hastings Law College since 1901. Ever since 1896 he has given expert service to the editorial department of a large law publishing firm.





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## The Associations' First Period

A little over a half-century ago a few leaders of the San Francisco Bar organized one of the earliest permanent associations formed by the legal profession in America. Two or three years before this event leading attorneys of New York City, being scandalized by the bold operations of Tammany Hall, under the leadership of Boss Tweed, and particularly by the debauchery of the courts of that city, combined to form the New York Bar Association to take an active part in the local war for municipal reform and civic decency.

The New York Bar Association, then formed, has had a continuous, distinguished and influential career. It adopted a constitution and became a pattern and stimulus for other similar organizations. At that time it naturally gained fame and prestige through its vigorous coöperation with the forces that were trying to clean up the city politically and judicially.

The suggestion of this example of the New York profession was felt in San Francisco coincidently with the presentation of a rare opportunity for a social organization to secure very desirable quarters in the downtown district. The Pacific Club, composed of leading and generally wealthy business and professional men, had recently vacated its quarters on Sacramento street for a new home. The location and quarters were inviting, particularly to W. M. Pierson, one of the younger members of the profession who had already achieved a brilliant record, and at the age of thirty years ranked with the few most distinguished leaders of the bar, of whom he was an intimate associate.

Such men naturally sustained high professional ideals and to them the plan of uniting to uphold the best standards of the bench and bar made a strong appeal, though there was no scandalous situation locally to energize any specific effort at reform. But there was also the knocking of a prepared opportunity for a lot of good fellows with common life interests for which they labored in almost daily association, to establish a sociable family in which the amenities of professional and social life could be promoted with the aid of luncheon table, sideboard and easy chairs after the manner of club life.

Of these two motives the social one was apparently that which determined action at the time. It was the social side which mainly characterized the association for a good many years, as far as available information goes. The splendid and exceptional record of the organization in behalf of judicial reform, professional standards, court procedure, service to members and along other lines described in later pages, was mainly the accomplishment of later periods, and most notably of recent years. Such a comparative estimate of the two sides of the association's early career may be in a considerable measure faulty, because no records survive. The Association seldom was noted in the press, the first generation of members

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are practically all gone and material for any detailed story is almost wholly lacking. Matters of professional concern were naturally discussed at meetings and the exclusive and limited organization of the seventies and eighties carried a certain amount of prestige when any formal effort was put forth, but little more can be said here concerning the Association as a factor in the local professional field.

It was in the situation described that the idea of a Bar Association of San Francisco arose early in 1872. William Pierson is credited with starting the enterprise and he suggested the idea to a few of his eminent professional friends who cordially approved it. They included Hall McAllister, then the acknowledged leader of the Bar, in whose office the first small informal gathering of organizers was held, and several others who were among the first officers.

Following preliminary consultations, on March 28, a call was sent out to a selected list of attorneys and judges, signed by Hall McAllister, S. M. Wilson, Wm. H. Patterson and J. P. Hoge, asking them to join in forming an Association. These had been made a committee on membership and small committees on constitution and by-laws and nominations had also been appointed. These committees reported at a meeting held April 27, for permanent organization, at which twenty-nine were present. Mr. Pierson had secured the constitution of the New York Association and this was the model closely followed, except for its rather numerous committees. At this meeting the constitution was adopted and the following permanent organization effected:

J. P. Hoge, President; Hall McAllister and S. M. Wilson, Vice-Presidents; W. M. Pierson, Recording Secretary; J. R. Jarboe, Corresponding Secretary; Ralph C. Harrison, Treasurer.

Board of Trustees—Governor H. H. Haight, J. W. Winans, Judge W. W. Cope, T. I. Bergin and John T. Doyle.

Committee on Admission of Members—Hon. J. W. Dwinelle, W. H. L. Barnes, W. H. Patterson, Judge Delos Lake and J. G. McCullough.

The constitution declared that:

"The Association is established to maintain the honor and dignity of the profession of the law, to increase its usefulness in promoting the due administration of justice, and to cultivate social intercourse among its members."

The next thing was to prepare the home for the organization in the vacated quarters of the Pacific Club which had been secured and the work was speedily done. The five rooms were spacious and were handsomely decorated and furnished. There was ample provision for hot midday luncheon and cold lunches at all times, with the service of a well-stocked sideboard. Billiard tables and other adjuncts of club life helped make the convenient rendezvous popular with members from the start. The noon luncheon was for years served for twenty-five cents, which was in accordance with the respectable price standards of the period. A more



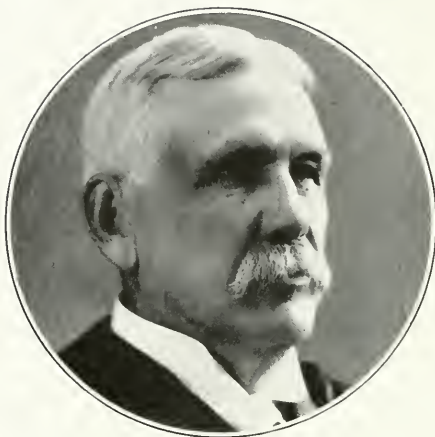
#### HALL McALLISTER

Hall McAllister is well remembered as a lawyer who was pre-eminently a leader of the bar and a distinguished citizen through an historic period of the city. After his death a statue of him was erected in Golden Gate Park. In a great practice with a wide range he shone as a brilliant advocate, a master of the law and a man with a commanding intellect. He is remembered as a choice character with high ideals.



**W. M. PIERSON**

The most active of the organizers of the Bar Association was W. M. Pierson, who initiated the idea and did most of the preliminary work. He was then a young man well on the road to the distinguished professional success he achieved. He was a scholarly man and a skilled amateur astronomer.



W. W. MORROW

Judge Morrow is the only surviving charter member, and also the only remaining life member of the Association. His long and distinguished judicial and political career since 1869 is familiar. He was assistant United States District Attorney, member of Congress, United States District judge in 1891 and member of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals since 1897, and nationally prominent in various ways. He was president of the Association in 1892 and 1893.

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detailed account of the start of the Association is reproduced on another page from the *Alta California*.

Before long the membership increased to about a hundred. In 1880, after a career of eight years the membership was given in the San Francisco directory at 175. After a few years the Association moved, in 1888, to 121 Post Street and during this early period non-resident members were admitted. A statement of membership in 1884, was: active, 106; non-resident, 53; judiciary, 21; total 180.

Lack of records makes it necessary to look at the first twenty years or so as whole and the outstanding features of the Association's story, before the revolution in spirit and policy that came at a later time, seem to be a degree of exclusiveness in membership and an emphasis on the social side. The membership of the first generation was composed of able, high-minded and prosperous attorneys of the city. On the start the initiation fee was fixed at \$50.00 and the monthly dues at \$5. The initial outfitting of the headquarters and the up-keep on a club basis naturally made something like this necessary, but the consequent restriction on the membership is evident. The constitution made all members of the profession eligible for membership, subject to the recommendation of the committee on admissions and the ballot of members.

A backward glance in perspective at that youthful period of the Association, the city and the State, attracts attention to the conditions of that historic time. The birth of the Bar Association of San Francisco came but a little over twenty years after the founding of the State and most of the charter members were pioneers who had been in and of the stirring and picturesque times of the fifties and sixties. Hall McAllister came in 1850, presidents J. P. Hoge and S. M. Wilson in 1853 and other members were men of action here in the fifties. Some came in those early years as boys and began playing successful parts in the life of the State as they emerged into young manhood, as did Wm. M. Pierson, who arrived at the age of ten in 1852. The romance of the Days of Gold they knew as experience. They saw the Commonwealth of California starting on its eventful political career. Some were members of the Vigilance committees of 1852 and 1856. When these men founded the Bar Association the Civil War was a recent thing, the transcontinental railroad was building and the great Comstock Mining boom of 1872 was exciting San Francisco. During the rest of the decade of the seventies came the second Comstock excitement of 1876 and a little later the Sand Lot anti-Chinese agitation and the Kearney riots. In 1878 came the fierce contest over the New Constitution, adopted in the following year. J. P. Hoge, president of the Bar Association during its first eight years, was president of the constitutional convention and S. M. Wilson, one of the Association's founders and for four years its president, was chairman of the important convention committee on Judiciary and Judicial Department, as well as of other committees.



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There is no exact record of who all the twenty-nine charter members were. Sixteen of them are named as officers, trustees and committee members in the statement of the first permanent organization given on a preceding page. But more members approved by the organization soon joined and they naturally belonged to the class of lawyers of the period regarded as leading attorneys and worthy men.

Judge W. W. Morrow, of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at San Francisco was a charter member and the only one surviving at the time this is written. He has provided from his recollection and the roster of San Francisco lawyers of 1872, a list of names of very early members which undoubtedly includes all of the fifteen charter members not given as part of the first organization. This list of additional charter and other members is given as follows:

Reuben H. Lloyd, J. D. Latimer, Frank Pixley, W. H. L. Barnes, Cutler McAllister, W. W. Morrow, Thomas B. Bishop, Eugene Casserly, John B. Felton, John S. Hager, John B. Harmon, Theodore H. Hittell, Milton H. Myrick, Charles Page, Nathan Porter, Wm. H. R. Rhodes, James M. Seawell, William H. Sharp, Sydney V. Smith, H. I. Thornton, Wm. T. Wallace, W. W. Stow, Wm. H. Patterson, Joseph W. Winans, D. P. Belknap, George F. Sharp. Of course other names belong in a list of pioneer members for the membership soon reached about a hundred. The list of officers by years, on page 33, gives a few additional names of prominent men who were members during the seventies and eighties.

The Association proceeded in its social way during its first two decades, rarely affording the papers occasion to note its existence beyond a yearly five or six lines giving the officers elected at the annual meeting, or a note about a banquet. On page 29 there is given a press report of a pretentious banquet given in 1886 to the first three presidents, Messrs. Hoge, Cope and Wilson. The list of those present includes many of the strong and eminent members of the profession in the Pacific Coast metropolis in that day and is of historical interest to surviving members of the older generation of lawyers, some of whom will recall something about practically every man named and find many old associations stirred in memory.

But one should not conclude that the Bar Association of San Francisco was of no serious value to the profession during this earlier period of its history. Its very existence and the daily or frequent personal contact of lawyers of that class, with common interests and ideals, nourished a sentiment of unity and loyalty among the leaders of the legal profession and created an organized influence which could be used as occasion arose. For one thing it laid and maintained the foundation for the larger, stronger and more influential association which was easily evolved out of it at a later time. The high standing in ability and reputation required made membership rather a badge of professional endorsement and to some extent naturally nurtured the professional ideals which such men highly regarded.



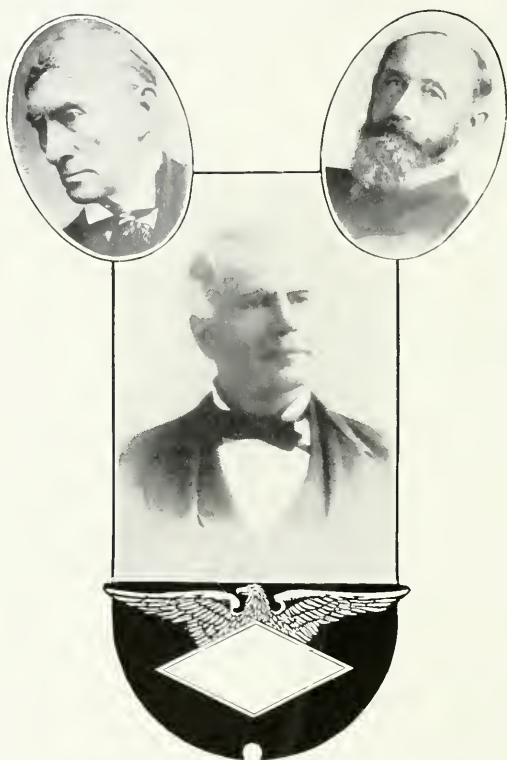
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It is remembered in a general way by older lawyers that both in formal meetings and in informal conferences various matters of interest to the profession would be considered. For one thing, at different times before elections at which local judges were to be chosen, an endorsement of selected candidates would be arrived at and sent to members with a recommendation of their support, but without the Association entering openly into the campaign. This plan was confined to the local courts and not extended to the Supreme Court.

For eighteen years three of the leading organizers occupied the presidency, and in 1890 Edward R. Taylor, who for a number of years was one of the leading spirits of the organization, became president for two years, followed by W. W. Morrow for two years, with Mr. Taylor resuming the office in 1894 and 1895. Dr. Taylor was long one of the leading figures in the civic and professional affairs of San Francisco. He was scholarly, of high character, Dean of the Hastings Law College for years and a reform mayor in a trying time. It is in connection with his last year of the presidency, in 1895, that the first note regarding formal action by the Association regarding state legislation has been encountered for this record, although such action may have been taken before. In January of that year, at a regular meeting, the Association indorsed a legislative bill providing for a commission of three lawyers to revise the statutes and the codes for the purpose of avoiding defective laws and securing scientific legislation in the future. Several bills pending in the legislature were approved.

Robert Y. Hayne was president during 1896 and 1897 and in the latter year newspaper columns show the bar associations of San Francisco and Los Angeles working together, under the initiative of the former, in an effort which was to last for several years, to secure amendment of the Constitution, providing for three appellate courts to relieve the congestion of cases in the Supreme Court and the delay of justice which had already been an issue for some time. During the last half of the decade of the nineties there was thus shown in the Association an aggressive interest in the betterment of the laws and the judicial system of the State which was to bear much fruit in succeeding years.

The administration of Wm. H. Fifield for the years 1898-99 and that of C. W. Slack in 1900 brought the career of the Association under the old order, under a limited membership of about 200, with large initiation fees and dues, to a close, to be succeeded by the new era which began with 1901.



J. P. HOGE  
*1872-79*

W. W. COPE  
*1880-85*

S. M. WILSON  
*1886-89*

## The First Three Presidents

# The Association's First Banquet

Historical interest attaches to the first banquet at which the early-day members gathered together in festive spirit. This was in 1886, fourteen years after organization, and was held in honor of the three distinguished men who had then served as president. Nearly all of those present have passed from this life. The following is a newspaper report of the affair:

(From the San Francisco "Chronicle," February 28, 1886)

## BARRISTERS AT THE BOARD

### First Banquet of the San Francisco Bar Association

The banquet given last night by the members of the San Francisco Bar Association to its presidents, S. M. Wilson (incumbent), W. W. Cope and J. P. Hoge, was remarkable in more ways than one. In the first place, it is the only time up to date that lawyers and judges of the city have met together in social intercourse; in the next place, the gathering was a very notable one; and lastly the dinner was admirable in all its details, both as regards the comestible character of the menu and the appropriateness of its literary quotations.

The dinner was served in the library of the Association's rooms, those who sat down at a few minutes past seven o'clock being the following:

John F. Swift, S. M. Wilson, W. W. Cope, W. H. L. Barnes, W. T. Stewart, E. D. Sawyer, D. J. Toohy, E. J. Pringle, Richard Tobin, A. H. Loughborough, J. A. Waymire, J. M. Wood, M. Eyre, M. M. Estee, Creed Haymond, W. F. Goad, O. P. Evans, F. G. Newlands, Judge T. K. Wilson, J. T. Boyd, S. S. Wright, Judge J. D. Thornton, T. B. Bishop, A. H. Rhodes, Wm. Matthews, L. B. Mizner, Judge S. S. Belcher, Judge Niles Searles, A. A. Sargent, Judge M. H. Myrick, S. W. Holliday, D. J. Murphy, A. E. Houghton, Warren Olney, E. N. Magraw, Judge J. T. Finn, J. J. Scrivner, W. R. Wheaton, M. A. Wheaton, J. M. Mitchell, T. V. O'Brien, J. C. Hall, G. N. Williams, W. H. Fifield, T. H. Bond, G. H. Gray, G. A. Rankin, H. A. Powell, Alfred Wheeler, Judge J. F. Sullivan, Fisher Ames, J. D. Shankland, Ramon E. Wilson, Charles Page, G. M. Burnett, W. H. Plunkett, H. B. Wallace, F. J. French, M. S. Wilson, Judge John Hunt, W. H. Chickering, Judge J. V. Coffey, C. P. Eels, T. C. Van Ness, F. M. Stone, Judge W. H. Levy, C. F. Hanlon, C. W. Slack, H. C. Hyde, Arthur Rodgers, P. J. Van Loben Sels, W. T. Baggett, J. P. Meux, S. F. Gell, E. W. Blaney, W. F. Gibson, J. W. Ward, S. C. Houghton, T. J. Vivian, S. R. Taylor, E. B. Mastick.

On the serving of coffee the following toast were given, under the direction of John F. Swift, as master of ceremonies, the respondents seldom exceeding the five minutes in their replies, and the speeches being of the happy character that might be imagined from the gentlemen whose names are mentioned:

"The President of the United States," Hon. A. A. Sargent.

"Our Honored Guests," Hon. W. W. Cope and Hon. M. S. Wilson.

"The State of California," Creed Haymond.

"The Judiciary of the United States," Hon. Lorenzo Sawyer.

"The Judiciary of California"—for the Supreme Court, Hon. J. D. Thornton; for the Superior Courts, Judge John Hunt.

"The Bar of the State of California," Thomas B. Bishop.

"To a Reconciliation and Firmer Union Between the Legal Profession and Productive Industry," Hon. M. M. Estee.

"De Jure Belli et Pacis," covering the rights and duties of neutrals and non-combatants, of things contraband of war, and of prize and ransom, W. H. L. Barnes.

"Bar of the Interior," L. P. Mizner.

The only marbling of the evening's pleasure was in the enforced absence through sickness of John P. Hoge, the Association's first president.



ALFRED WHEELER

Alfred Wheeler, born in New York City in 1822, arrived in San Francisco November 12, 1849 and shortly afterwards was elected to the first California legislature. In 1850 he was appointed Commissioner of Land Titles by the Common Council of San Francisco. His book, "Wheeler's Land Titles," published in 1852, is the standard authority on the origin of all San Francisco titles. He was appointed United States District Attorney for the Southern District of California by President Fillmore in 1851. Mr. Wheeler served several terms as Trustee of the Bar Association and was long a member of the house committee. He was one of the life members who provided the first library of the Association. In 1902 a bronze tablet was erected to his memory, with impressive ceremony at the end of the "Wheeler Trail" on Mount Tamalpais. At his death in 1903 the San Francisco newspapers gave extended reviews of his active life.



CURTIS H. LINDLEY

As shown elsewhere in this history, the late Curtis H. Lindley was one of the most distinguished and efficient presidents the Association has had, effecting a revolutionizing expansion and growth during the four years of his presidency, 1909-12. "For years before this he was one of the pillars of the organization." He was a leader of the bar with a national reputation, particularly as a mining lawyer and author of "Lindley on Mines."

# The Association's First Publicity

## Contemporary Account of the Start

The Bar Association of San Francisco was introduced to the local public by the **Daily Alta California**, Sunday morning, July 7, 1872. This was the first appearance of the Association in print, with the exception of a brief news note in the issue of April 28, reciting the officers elected at the organization meeting held on the previous day, as recounted elsewhere. President Jeremiah F. Sullivan had a photographic reproduction of this resurrected story made for distribution at the luncheon to celebrate the Association's fifty-first anniversary, held at the Palace Hotel, April 28, 1923, and for preservation in the Association records:

(Reproduced from the "Daily Alta California," July 7, 1872.)

### GAMALIEL AT REST

#### Club-Rooms of the Bar Association of San Francisco

The need of more intimate and friendly association among the leading and respectable members of the Bar of San Francisco has long been felt in this community. We have in this city about four hundred lawyers, most of whom are only known to each other by name and sight. Among them are some of the choicest minds in the country, possessing the highest qualifications for social enjoyment. A few only are chargeable with the fault, that are commonly made the characteristics of the profession, and it is to deprive these few from attaching their individuality to the general character of all that an association is greatly needed. The benefits of club life in leisure time cannot be over-estimated, when encouraged under the influence of an elevating organization, the objects of which are not simply enjoyment of the present moment, but principally co-operation in sustaining the common credit and reputation, and the promotion of friendly relations.

On the 29th day of last March, a call, signed by Hall McAllister, Esq., S. M. Wilson, Esq., W. H. Patterson, Esq., and Colonel J. P. Hoge, was circulated among the members of the profession practicing in this city, requesting their active assistance in the organization of an association. A meeting was held one month subsequently, when twenty-nine of our most prominent attorneys and counsellors at law were present. The constitution of the New York Bar Association was taken as a model and only slightly changed in adoption. The name selected was the Bar Association of San Francisco. In consequence of the disparity in the number of membership, the number of committees named by the New York plan was reduced. Otherwise there is little or no change in the new organization.

Article second, Section 1, reads as follows: "The Association is established to maintain the honor and dignity of the profession of the law, to increase its usefulness in promoting the due administration of justice, and to cultivate social intercourse among its members."

All members of the profession are eligible to active membership, subject to the recommendation of the Committee on Admission and the ballots of the Association. All Judges of Courts of Record are declared honorary members.

At the time of the adoption of the constitution and by-laws the following permanent officers were elected for the first term of office:

Colonel J. P. Hoge, president; Hall McAllister and S. M. Wilson, Vice-presidents; W. M. Pierson, Recording Secretary; J. R. Jarboe, Corresponding Secretary; Ralph C. Harrison, Treasurer.

Board of Trustees: Governor H. H. Haight, J. W. Winans, Judge W. W. Cope, T. I. Bergin and John T. Doyle.

Committee on Admission of Members: Hon. J. W. Dwinelle, Colonel W. H. L. Barnes, W. H. Patterson, Judge Delos Lake and Hon. J. G. McCullough. For the use of the Association, the Club rooms formerly occupied by the Pacific Club, have been rented and furnished in an elegant manner. These rooms comprise the entire second floor of the building, No. 654 Sacramento street, between Montgomery and Kearny, and also three smaller apartments on the third floor. There is an entrance from both Sacramento and Commercial streets. Windows at each end and a large skylight, extending through the third floor to the roof above, afford ample light. The gas fixtures are complete, neat and elegant. The main floor is thrown open into one large hall from end to end by means of folding doors. It is divided into five large continuous saloons, in all one hundred and twenty feet long, by twenty-two feet wide; two smaller side apartments and a long passageway. The furniture, though not yet complete, is amply sufficient, and has been carefully selected. The carpets are of fine quality throughout. The walls are delicately tinted, and the ceilings are frescoed in good taste so as to preserve the general harmony of appearance the "tout ensemble" being warm and inviting and pleasing to the eye.

The central saloon immediately under the skylight is provided with two fine billiard tables. At the end facing Commercial street there is a table and sideboard, where liquors and cold lunch are always ready, and where between the hours of noon and two p. m. hot lunch is provided by the steward.

When the pictures that are promised, and to be promised, are all hung on the walls, the effect of ornamentation will greatly heighten the effect of the general appearance.

On the 4th of July the rooms were first thrown open to members of the Club. There is now a total membership of ninety-three, with six applications not yet acted upon. The success of the Association and the advancement of the objects of its organization are assured, and we have no doubt in saying that it will be second to none in the city in importance and mutual benefit.

# Officers For a Half-Century

The following gives at a glance a portion of the organization to the present time. There have been few changes in the treasurer's office. Ralph C. Harrison was treasurer during the first seven years, followed by A. H. Loughborough for three years. In 1883 the office was assigned to John Burnett, son of Peter Burnett, the first governor of the state and a member of the first supreme court. He served as treasurer from 1883 to his death in 1916. The office has since been filled by John S. Drum.

Years.	Presidents.	Senior Vice-Presidents.	Junior Vice-Presidents.	Secretaries.
1872.-	J. P. Hoge.	Hall McAllister.	S. M. Wilson.	Wm. Pierson.
1873.-	J. P. Hoge.	Hall McAllister.	S. M. Wilson.	Thomas B. Bishop.
1874.-	J. P. Hoge.	Hall McAllister.	S. M. Wilson.	Thomas B. Bishop.
1875.-	J. P. Hoge.	Hall McAllister.	S. M. Wilson.	Thomas B. Bishop.
1876.-	J. P. Hoge.	Hall McAllister.	S. M. Wilson.	Thomas B. Bishop.
1877.-	J. P. Hoge.	Alexander Campbell.	S. M. Wilson.	Thomas B. Bishop.
1878.-	J. P. Hoge.	Alexander Campbell.	S. M. Wilson.	Thomas B. Bishop.
1879.-	J. P. Hoge.	Lloyd Baldwin.	Russell Wilson.	Thomas B. Bishop.
1880.-	W. W. Cope.	Walter Van Dyke.	Russell Wilson.	H. P. McKoon.
1881.-	W. W. Cope.	Walter Van Dyke.	Russell Wilson.	H. P. McKoon.
1882.-	W. W. Cope.	M. A. Wheaton.	John A. Stanley.	Thomas V. O'Brien.
1883.-	W. W. Cope.	M. A. Wheaton.	John A. Stanley.	Thomas V. O'Brien.
1884.-	W. W. Cope.	John A. Stanley.	J. H. Bealt.	Thomas V. O'Brien.
1885.-	W. W. Cope.	Thomas B. Stoney.	E. B. Mastick.	Thomas V. O'Brien.
1886.-	S. M. Wilson.	Thomas B. Stoney.	E. B. Mastick.	Thomas V. O'Brien.
1887.-	S. M. Wilson.	Thomas B. Stoney.	E. B. Mastick.	Thomas V. O'Brien.
1888.-	S. M. Wilson.	Thomas B. Stoney.	E. B. Mastick.	Ramon E. Wilson.
1889.-	S. M. Wilson.	Edward R. Taylor.	Wm. H. Fifield.	Donald Y. Campbell.
1890.-	Edward R. Taylor.	E. W. McKinstry.	Wm. H. Fifield.	Frank P. Deering.
1891.-	Edward R. Taylor.	E. W. McKinstry.	Wm. H. Fifield.	Frank P. Deering.
1892.-	W. W. Morrow.	Arthur Rodgers.	C. P. Eels.	Geo. W. Towle Jr.
1893.-	W. W. Morrow.	Arthur Rodgers.	George A. Rankin.	E. Burke Holliday.
1894.-	Edward R. Taylor.	Robert Y. Hayne.	Wm. H. Fifield.	E. Burke Holliday.
1895.-	Edward R. Taylor.	Robert Y. Hayne.	Wm. H. Fifield.	E. Burke Holliday.
1896.-	Robert Y. Hayne.	Wm. H. Fifield.	A. C. Freeman.	E. Burke Holliday.
1897.-	Robert Y. Hayne.	Wm. H. Fifield.	A. C. Freeman.	Wm. J. Herrin.
1898.-	Wm. H. Fifield.	A. Comte Jr.	A. C. Freeman.	Wm. J. Herrin.
1899.-	Wm. H. Fifield.	A. C. Freeman.	A. Comte Jr.	Wm. J. Herrin.
1900.-	C. W. Slack.	A. Comte Jr.	E. H. Rixford.	Warren Olney Jr.
1901.-	Warren Olney.	C. W. Slack.	A. Comte Jr.	George J. Martin.
1902.-	Warren Olney.	C. W. Slack.	Henry Eichhoff.	George J. Martin.
1903.-	A. C. Freeman.	W. S. Goodfellow.	W. B. Cope.	George J. Martin.
1904.-	W. S. Goodfellow.	W. B. Cope.	Curtis H. Lindley.	George J. Martin.
1905.-	W. S. Goodfellow.	W. B. Cope.	Curtis H. Lindley.	George J. Martin.
1906.-	W. B. Cope.	Curtis H. Lindley.	J. W. Lilienthal.	George J. Martin.
1907.-	W. B. Cope.	Curtis H. Lindley.	A. Comte Jr.	George J. Martin.
1908.-	W. B. Cope.	Curtis H. Lindley.	A. Comte Jr.	George J. Martin.
1909.-	Curtis H. Lindley.	A. Comte Jr.	Ralph C. Harrison.	George J. Martin.
1910.-	Curtis H. Lindley.	Warren Olney Jr.	J. W. Lilienthal.	George J. Martin.
1911.-	Curtis H. Lindley.	Warren Olney Jr.	J. W. Lilienthal.	George J. Martin.
1912.-	Curtis H. Lindley.	Charles S. Wheeler.	C. A. Shurtleff.	George J. Martin.
1913.-	Chas. A. Shurtleff.	J. W. Lilienthal.	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	George J. Martin.
1914.-	J. W. Lilienthal.	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Wm. B. Bosley.	George J. Martin.
1915.-	J. W. Lilienthal.	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Wm. B. Bosley.	George J. Martin.
1916.-	J. W. Lilienthal.	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Wm. B. Bosley.	George J. Martin.
1917.-	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Wm. B. Bosley.	Wm. Penman.	George J. Martin.
1918.-	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Wm. B. Bosley.	Wm. Denman.	George J. Martin.
1919.-	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Wm. B. Bosley.	Wm. Denman.	George J. Martin.
1920.-	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Alex F. Morrison.	James Lanagan.	George J. Martin.
1921.-	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Alex F. Morrison.	James Lanagan.	George J. Martin.
1922.-	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Beverly Hodghead.	James Lanagan.	George J. Martin.
1923.-	Jeremiah F. Sullivan.	Beverly Hodghead.	Henry E. Monroe.	George J. Martin.

# One of the Banquets

From "The Recorder," February 12, 1902

"The banquet of the San Francisco Bar Association Saturday night at the Merchants' Club was a very pleasant reunion of the members of that organization and was well attended. This is the second annual banquet given by the Bar Association, the first being given last year in commemoration of Marshall day, and it is proposed that a banquet shall be given on this day each year. There were about one hundred attorneys present and among them some of the judges of our State and Federal Courts. The bill of fare, which was of Judge Hunt's design, represented a leather covered law book, and contained a list of many dainty dishes described in witty legal phraseology. Federal Judges Gilbert, Ross and Hawley were invited guests and numerous brief speeches were delivered by Judge Hunt, who was toastmaster and spoke of "Lawyers," at whose expense he furnished a good deal of amusement. T. C. Van Ness retorted in kind with a discourse on "Judges," as did Joseph C. Campbell with the subject, "The Trials of a Trial Lawyer." Supreme Justice T. B. McFarland delivered an address on "The Early Bar," Judge J. V. Coffey on "The Brevity of a Lawyer's Fame," John J. Barrett on "The Ideal Lawyer," Peter F. Dunne on "The Lady Practitioners and Others," and Knox Maddox on "The Junior Members of the Bar."

## MENU

"Then wreath the bowl with flowers of soul  
The brightest wit can find us;  
We'll take a flight towards heaven to-night  
And leave dull earth behind us."

—Moore.

"I can drink no more than a sponge."

—Hudibras.

"The law never requires impossibilities."

—Blackstone.

## EASTERN OYSTERS

"Very fine power o' suction, Sammy; you'd a  
made an uncommon fine oyster."

—Ex parte Tony Weller (Pickwick).

## POTAGE

Chicken consommé in cups

"There's many a man who gets drunk when he sups,  
But seldom you'll see a fowl in his cups."



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### HORS D'OEUVRE

Bouchees of foie gras a la Perigord

(True name unknown)

Croustades of Caviar                      Olives

Salted Almonds                      (We except)

Sauterne

### FISH

Fillet of Striped Bass a la Cardinal

(Misjoinder of parties)

Potato Croquettes

The other side are simply going a-fishing.

—Opposing Counsel.

### ENTREES

Squab Cutlet a la Pompadour

(Objection overruled)

Diamond back Terrapin a la Maryland

(and a la Mission Creek)

Burgundy

### VEGETABLES

Asparagus, Hollandaise sauce

(Nulla bona)

### PUNCH

California (a la Jeffries)

“Superfluity does not viciate.”

—Civil Code.

### ROAST

Tenderloin of Beef a la demiglace

“Cut this flesh—the law allows it, and the

Court decrees it.”

—Shylock vs. Antonio.

### SALAD

Romaine, French dressing

“Take any shape but that.”

### DESSERT

Biscuit glace a la vanilla

(a la caveat emptor)

Assorted Cakes

(a la estates of deceased persons)

Fruit                      Cheese                      Cafe Noir

“We will proceed no farther in this business.”

—Macbeth.

“Holidays, within the meaning of the code, are every Sunday.”

—Code of Civil Procedure.

Adjournment



#### WARREN OLNEY

Warren Olney was admitted to practice about three years before the organization of the Bar association and joined it later as he rapidly rose in his profession. In later years he was the senior member of firms of the highest rank in the legal field. He was mayor of Oakland in the eighties and otherwise distinguished in civic life. He was one of the outstanding presidents of the Association, and was a loyal worker with it for many years, as has been Warren Olney, Jr., ex-Supreme Court Justice, who has served as vice-president, secretary and on many committees.

## A New Era Begins.

A new era dawned for the Association with the election of Warren Olney to the presidency in January, 1901.

With the vigorous aid of other officers and members there was a quick reorganization of the Association, with the adoption of a revised constitution, the creation of new standing committees, a reduction of the dues, abolition of the \$50 initiation fee and an immediate drive for new members which carried the enrollment past the 500 mark, or more than double the number ever reached before.

The main fact of historical interest is that the Association acquired at this time a new outlook and a decided purpose to be an effective instrument in behalf of higher professional and judicial standards, the promotion of needed amendments to the laws and the development of increased unity and fraternity of feeling in the profession. The Association has never lost this spirit and purpose, though during the twenty-two years since then, there have been two periods of partial lethargy and two of vigorous revival and great growth.

The situation at the outset of Mr. Olney's first term and the initial efforts at rejuvenation can be best described by presenting two brief contemporary articles appearing in "The Recorder," the legal profession's daily organ of court news and proceedings. In the issue of January 26th, a few days after the Association's annual meeting and election, the following appeared:

"The San Francisco Bar Association has at last awakened to the fact that a rejuvenation is necessary for its usefulness and prosperity. A circular letter, addressed to attorneys of good standing, has been issued, appealing to them to become identified with the Association and to lend their aid to the accomplishments of its proper objects. The first and permanent aim to be attained is the restoration of the profession in this city and county to its former place of honor and to restore its lost prestige. To this end the membership of the Association is sought to be increased by the infusion of young blood. As an inducement no admission fee is demanded and dues are reduced to an extent within the means of every lawyer. . . . The circular is frank in stating that the Bar Association has become greatly diminished and attributes the cause to the neglect of the more prominent members of the bar."

This movement marked the transformation of the Association from a very limited body of members with large initiation fees and dues and a restricted course of action to a really representative organization of the bar with a wider outlook, a spirit of aggressiveness toward professional and judicial shortcomings and a purpose to actively promote the betterment of the laws, the judicial system and the standards and service of the profession generally.

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# An Array of Autographs

Hon. Joseph McKenna was promoted in 1897 from the United States Circuit Court, San Francisco, to the Supreme Court where he still serves. The members of the San Francisco Bar Association held an elaborate banquet in his honor just before his departure for Washington. There is reproduced below the heading and about eighty signatures of the subscription list signed by members. Here are names of many distinguished men, some of whom survive.

San Francisco, February, 1897.

The Bar Association of San Francisco being desirous to tender to Judge Joseph McKenna a complimentary dinner at its rooms, No. 55, California Street, on some evening convenient to him before his departure from California; said dinner to be at a cost to subscribers of five dollars per ticket, which price shall include Wines.

The undersigned hereby severally agree to take one ticket for said dinner and to pay the sum of five dollars on delivery of said ticket; but such ticket not to be delivered until at least forty names shall be subscribed to this agreement and Judge McKenna shall have accepted the courtesy proposed and fixed the date of said dinner.

J. Sullivan Ed  
 E. H. Prout (pr) R. E. Edward Pringle  
 R. O. Harkin Paid E. W. M. Lane Paid  
 J. M. Allen R. G. Galpin Paid  
 Aylett R. Cotton Fredutcomb  
 G. C. Vantrey Elmore W. E. Shoddy 5. P.  
 Mid. Eisner Wm B. Whorup  
 Mission andros Wm Craig  
 Geo. W. Foulke - R. E. M. B. Kellogg - R. E.  
 Wm. W. Moomy Joseph Hutchinson - R. E.  
 Geo. R. R. R. Paid O. B. R. R.  
 E. B. R. R. W. C. Graves Paid  
 Frank R. R. Paid H. C. R. R.  
 Arthur Rodgers T. P. R. R.

Charles F. Hanson # Paid Thos. H. Nichols  
E. J. Campbell Pd T. D. Handman ca

W. Schoeffgen Geo. Russ Pd

J. J. Bergen Wm. J. Sherre  
Van R. Petersen A. P. Moom  
M. Mastick H. A. Powell

Lydia H. Lindley  
Thos. Enckhoff

Robt. Lloyd  
Robt. W. Mayne

William J. Jensen Pd W. H. Myrick  
Wm. A. Jensen M. S. Hersth

M. A. Wheaton

Chas. F.

Carter P. Bouroy

Edw. J. McQuiter

John A. Wright Pd.

John A. Wright  
Edw. J. McQuiter

John W. Leach

J. G. Reister

M. Wilson

William Thomas

Russell J. Wilson

Chas. W. Giff

Samuel L. Giff

J. S. Foulke

James T. Giff

W. H. Lillibury

Chas. S. Wheeler

James A. Lillibury Thos. D. Nichols

Chas. S. Wheeler

E. B. Rifford

Edw. J. McQuiter

Wm. H. Fidler Paid

Warren Olney

Wm. J. Herin

Nick Muller Pd

John M. Bennett Pd

Edw. J. McQuiter

A. Comstock Pd

Davis Linderback

A. G. Fellen Pd

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As evidence of the new spirit it was arranged to celebrate on February 4th the one hundredth anniversary of the appointment of John Marshall as Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, an occasion, of course, generally observed throughout the land.

The president's address was partly devoted to an earnest plea for new life and efficiency in the Association. "The Recorder's" report of the affair says that President Olney made a stirring appeal for more active interest by the Association in helping to purge the profession of undesirable elements. He confessed, it was reported, that in the decrepit condition of the Association for the past few years such work was impossible, but with the infusion of new life and activity brought in by younger members the prospect was indeed bright for the future of the California bar.

At this meeting one hundred new members were reported thus early in the drive that had been instituted, and a little later the membership had been increased to over 500.

A report of progress appeared in "The Recorder" a few weeks later as follows:

"The recent efforts towards rejuvenating our Bar Association have not been unavailing as we understand that the membership has been increased by something over 150 names. For a long time past it has been on a gradual decline, but fortunately a few members of the bar who desire to see a high professional standard maintained have taken upon themselves the task of reviving the decaying professional spirit through the medium of a strong Bar Association. These gentlemen have formulated plans for the reduction of the expenses of the Association, thereby warranting a material reduction in dues. The initiation fee will be abolished and the dues reduced to \$2.50 per month for members who have been admitted to the bar for more than ten years, and \$1 per month for those who have practiced for a less period. A large assembly room will be maintained with all the appointments of a fine working library."

In connection with the drive for memberships, a bulletin was issued carrying an appeal to members of the bar, the revised constitution and a complete statement of the officers, committees and membership. After the fire of 1906 Secretary George J. Martin recovered a copy from out of the city and this constitutes the only complete record of the membership for any year previous to 1906. It is given in full on other pages of this book. At that date there were left seventeen of the original thirty who subscribed \$400 each for a library fund in 1885 and were made life members. In 1923 Judge W. W. Morrow is the only one of these surviving.

During the year 1901 there was made a lasting change in the secretaryship, which has been of untold benefit to the Association. Before this time the office was held by some active member attorney who performed his duties without charge incidental to his practice. It was now decided to employ a permanent secretary and librarian who should always be at the

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headquarters and George J. Martin, who had been librarian five years, was installed. He has filled the office continuously and efficiently ever since.

There is a continued lack of official records of Association affairs for the next four years preceding the fire of March, 1906. Mr. Olney was re-elected in 1902 and the membership continued well sustained. The new spirit of life which had come with the revolutionary changes and the acquirement of a doubled membership, including many of the best of the younger generation of lawyers, stimulated various official and committee activities, particularly in an aggressive attitude toward offenses by members of the bar, one of which involved the issuance of a fictitious decree of divorce. The committees established under the new order in 1901, as given on page 42, indicate the scope of the activities planned for the Association at this time and the membership of the committees includes a number of leaders of the bar who have been active Association workers.

During the two years of Warren Olney's presidency, ex-President C. W. Slack was first vice-president and A. Comte, Jr. and Henry Eickhoff were junior vice-presidents. Henry Eickhoff has ever since been a leading and loyal worker for the Association, particularly as chairman of the Committee on Discipline and Grievances in recent years. In February, 1902, the Association held its second annual banquet in commemoration of John Marshall, the record of which, on page 34, is an interesting historical souvenir. Annual banquets have been held yearly since.

A. C. Freeman was elected to the presidency in 1903, after serving as vice-president during the four years 1886-1889. He was a distinguished member of the bar for many years. He was a member of the California constitutional convention of 1878 and was a law writer of note. His most familiar work is "Freeman on the Law of Judgments."

During 1903 the vice-presidents were W. S. Goodfellow and W. B. Cope. The former was president during 1904 and 1905 and the latter during the succeeding three years, the first of which saw the Association's material assets completely wiped out by the great fire.

The outstanding feature of the activities of the Association during this five-year period preceding the great fire of 1906, was the continuation and great acceleration of the effort begun in previous years to secure by constitutional amendment the reform of the judicial system of the State, mainly through affording relief to the Supreme Court. The plan for the creation of appellate courts which had been put vigorously forward in 1897, with the co-operation of the Los Angeles Bar Association, was taken up during the alternate years preceding the meetings of the Legislature and always with much effort and discussion. In 1899 such an amendment, submitted by the Legislature to the people, was defeated, but the Bar Association of San Francisco resumed its campaign immediately thereafter and kept it up until success came in 1903.

At election time during these years the Association took steps to endorse candidates for judicial office by some plan, as recited in another chapter. Then came the disaster and reconstruction of 1906.

# Organization and Membership

of the

## Bar Association of San Francisco

### 1901

This is the only complete surviving record of the Association membership for any year prior to the San Francisco conflagration of 1906. The election of Warren Olney to the presidency in 1901 was followed by the adoption of a revised constitution which greatly reduced the dues and provided a number of new standing committees. The new constitution was at once printed, accompanied by the new official organization and the membership roll as it stood just before the new drive for members and the revival of Association activity at that period.

#### OFFICERS

President, Warren Olney; senior vice-president, Charles W. Slack; junior vice-president, A. Comte, Jr.; treasurer, John M. Burnett; secretary, George J. Martin.

Trustees—Edward R. Taylor, W. B. Bosley, Alfred Wheeler, William H. Fifield, H. A. Powell.

Admissions—E. H. Rixford, (chairman), Columbus Bartlett, W. B. Cope, Sheldon G. Kellogg, J. W. Lilienthal, Curtis H. Lindley, James G. Maguire.

Amendment of the Law—A. C. Freeman (chairman), W. C. Van Fleet, E. A. Bridgeford, Henry C. Campbell, T. C. Coogan, W. S. Goodfellow, Robert Harrison, M. A. Wheaton, J. Richard Freud, Edward F. Treadwell.

Grievances—R. R. Bigelow (chairman), John S. Drum, Joseph Hutchinson, Henry Eickhoff, A. G. Eels, T. J. Crowley, J. M. Rothchild, John J. Barrett, Walter S. Brann, H. B. Montague.

Judiciary—Van R. Paterson (chairman), T. C. Van Ness, Charles Page, E. B. Young, Donzel Stoney.

Legal Education—Sheffield S. Sanborn (chairman), M. Gerstle, W. H. Gorrill, W. W. Deamer, Knox Madden.

Invitations and Receptions—Reuben H. Lloyd (chairman), E. J. McCutchen, F. K. Lane, C. L. Tilden, S. M. Shortridge.



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## THE MEMBERSHIP

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Burnett, John M.	Newlands, Frank G.	Wheeler, Alfred.
Cope, W. W.	Olney, Warren	Wilson, Russell J.
Evans, O. P.	Powell, H. A.	

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Bartlett, Louis de F.	Cornwall, Bruce.	Gardiner, W. M.
Bates, George E.	Costello, S. V.	Gardner, C. F.
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Bergerot, P. A.		Gorrill, Wm. H.
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Bowie, J. F.	Deamer, W. W.	Green, Milton J.
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Brann, Walter S.	Denman, William.	
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Brown, I. I.	Drum, John S.	Harrison, R. W.
Burchard, D. W.	Dunne, P. F.	Hatch, C. E.
	Dwyer, J. J.	Hayne, B. A.
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Campbell, H. C.	Eels, Alex G.	Healey, Benjamin.
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# The Code of Legal Ethics

of the

## Bar Association of San Francisco

### I.

#### DISTINCTIVE CHARACTER OF AMERICAN LEGAL ETHICS.

The Bar Association of San Francisco calls upon all licensed practitioners at the San Francisco Bar to bear in mind that the profession of the law, for more than two thousand years, has been recognized as essential to the social concept which is the basis of American civilization; that the ideals of the profession call not only for ability, learning, humanity, and probity, but for a high-minded and unselfish obedience to the ethical truth that the lawyer, as an officer of the Court, is obligated to aid in, and not to hamper or thwart, the administration of justice.

They are also called upon to remember that their profession is incorporated into, and dignified by, the organic acts of the State and the Nation; that the Bar is charged with the high duty of supplying from its limited ranks the Judicial Department of government, the supreme importance of which department is emphasized in the circumstance that the people have delegated to it the power to adjudge null and void the acts of the two remaining departments.

The Bar is admonished that an incompetent, cowardly, or dishonest judiciary would, if persisted in, lead to the overthrow of American institutions; and that a competent, courageous and honest judiciary cannot be looked for if the Bar itself is incompetent, cowardly, dishonest, or careless of the obligations resting upon it as a collective body.

The profession should also bear in mind that the lawyer, in addition to his distinct functions in reference to the judicial branch of the government, has always been given much prominence in the legislative and executive departments; that in the legislative department members of his profession have usually, if not invariably, outnumbered the legislators elected from any other single walk of life, while the chief executives of the State and the Nation have, in most instances, been members of the Bar.

The foregoing considerations, to which many of a kindred nature might be added, emphasize the vital nature of the relation of the Bar to American institutions, and point to the supreme truth that American patriotism is the keystone of American Legal Ethics.

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### II.

#### LAWYERS' OBLIGATION TO THE PROFESSIONAL BODY.

To the end that the duties which rest upon the Bar as a professional body may be performed, each lawyer is in honor obligated to devote to the common cause a fair proportion of his time and labor.

### III.

#### ORGANIZED EFFORT ESSENTIAL.

Since it is obvious that the work of the Bar cannot be effectually accomplished without organized effort, it follows that a local Bar Association should embrace in its membership each and every reputable member of the Bar. The refusal of a member of the Bar to identify himself with the body is a flagrant disregard of professional duty.

Each member of the Bar is morally bound to perform fairly and thoroughly the work assigned to him by the organized Bar.

Duties of an inquisitorial or disciplinary character demand not only fairness and impartiality, but the highest degree of moral courage, unselfishness and backbone. Boards and committees called upon to discharge such duties are, in an important sense, the custodians of the reputation and dignity of the Bar. Shirking of duty on such committees is reprehensible and unprofessional in a high degree.

### IV.

#### DUTY TO MAINTAIN HIGH STANDARD IN PERSONNEL OF BENCH AND BAR.

It is the duty of the united Bar to exert its influence and efforts to the end that those only who are honest, intelligent, and adequately prepared shall be admitted to the Bar; that those only who maintain their integrity of character shall be permitted to remain there; that those only who are in every way fitted shall be elevated to the Bench, and that those only whose honesty, industry, affiliations, associations, and habits continue to maintain the people's faith in and respect for the law shall be permitted to remain on the Bench.

### V.

#### NON-PARTISANSHIP IN REGARD TO THE BENCH.

It is the duty of the Bar to endeavor to prevent political considerations from outweighing judicial fitness in the selection of judges. It should protest earnestly and actively against the appointment or election of those who are unsuitable for the Bench. The united Bar should likewise strive for retention in office of competent judges, irrespective of their party affiliations, and should exert its influence for the removal of the judiciary from the domain of partisan politics.

### VI.

#### ATTITUDE OF THE BAR TOWARD THE BENCH.

The lawyer must bear in mind that his duty to maintain toward the courts a respectful attitude does not spring from his personal regard for the incumbent of the judicial office, but from the fact that it is of supreme

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importance that the dignity of the office shall be maintained. Bad opinion of the incumbent, however well-founded, cannot excuse a failure to exhibit the respect due to the judicial office.

Judges are entitled to receive the support of the Bar as a professional body against unjust criticism and clamor.

Where there is a proper ground for serious complaint against a judicial officer, it is the right and duty of the lawyer to submit his grievance to the proper authorities. In such cases, but not otherwise, such charges should be encouraged, and the person making them should be upheld and protected by his professional brethren.

Lawyers are admonished to bear in mind that one side or the other must prevail in each of the several stages of a court proceeding, and that it is highly unprofessional to display temper either in court or out because of an adverse ruling or decision.

It is reprehensible and highly unprofessional for a lawyer to communicate, or argue privately, with a judge as to the merits of a pending cause, and he deserves rebuke and denunciation for any device or attempt to gain from a judge special consideration or personal privilege or favor.

### VII.

#### RELATIONS OF BENCH AND BAR.

Mutual respect, induced by high-minded independence in the discharge of judicial and professional duty, is a proper foundation for cordial personal and official relations between Bench and Bar.

A judge's personal and political friends, who practice before him, owe it to him, to the Bar, and to the public to be scrupulously careful to avoid any appearance, act, or conduct susceptible of misconstruction.

### VIII.

#### PROFESSION RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROGRESS AND ADEQUACY OF THE LAW.

Law is a progressive science, and it is the duty of the Bar to do its utmost to keep it abreast of the needs of the times. To that end the Bar should exert itself to bring about the abolition of any rules of law or practice, however firmly grounded in precedent, that may appear to have become unsuited to present conditions. Particularly should the Bar strive for the abolition of any statutory or judicial doctrine not consonant with justice and equity.

### IX.

#### PROFESSION RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LAW'S DELAYS.

The Bar admits its full responsibility for such of the law's delays as are not inherently necessary under our system of government. This Bar recognizes that it is an immediate and continuing duty on the part of the profession, on the Bench and at the Bar, to remedy the present tardy methods of conducting legal controversies. To that end the members of the Bar are admonished that code provisions and rules of court regulating pleadings, practice, and procedure are intended to facilitate and speed

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the administration of justice. Those in existence are recognized by the Bar as adaptable to that purpose if their spirit is insisted upon and obeyed by both Bench and Bar.

To the same end, the Association declares it to be not professional for a lawyer to take advantage of any imperfections in the machinery of the law, with the intent thereby to retard, delay, or restrict the speedy trial and conclusion of civil and criminal actions and proceedings, or the hearing of any demurrer, motion, or matter therein requiring a hearing.

It is not professional to interpose demurrers for the purpose of securing delay, nor to carp at trivial defects in a pleading not going to the merits; nor to move to strike out parts of a pleading where no useful purpose will be subserved thereby; nor to obtain by stipulation or by order more time to plead than is reasonably and fairly necessary; nor to neglect to demand a jury trial until on or near the day of trial; nor ever to demand a jury trial where the purpose of the demand is to delay the cause; nor to move or request a court to grant a continuance of a cause on statutory grounds without making a strictly legal showing, or upon any other grounds without making or causing to be made to the court and opposing counsel a full, truthful, and unexaggerated statement of the reason therefor; nor to refrain from notifying the court and opposing counsel, as far in advance of the time set for trial as the circumstances of the case will admit, of an intent to move for a continuance; nor to move for a change of venue or to make any other motion in an action or proceeding, merely to vex, harass, or annoy the opposite party, or to put him to needless expense, nor to make use of the delays necessary or possible in the law for the purpose of wearing out an antagonist or forcing him to a compromise.

It is the duty of the Bench and Bar to be punctual in attendance upon court.

It is the lawyer's duty, in the trial of causes, to expedite the work of the court by admitting the truth of all matters which he knows to be true, and not consume its time by requiring proof, in the hope of discovering and obtaining advantage from technical defects in an opponent's preparation or procedure.

The lawyer is ethically obligated, not only to his clients, but also to the Bar, to take upon himself no more business than he can properly and speedily dispatch. While reasonable courtesies in the matter of continuances are essential in the experience of every lawyer, it is unethical to expect, or to seek to obtain, postponements or delays in the trial of causes which are either unreasonable in number or duration, or which are not absolutely necessary.

### X.

#### RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BAR TO THE JURY SYSTEM.

The Bar must hold its own apathy largely responsible for the disrespect into which the jury system has fallen. In all cases a lawyer is responsible to his professional brethren for his own conduct and the con-

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duct of his employees in relation to the jury. Existing conditions demand that he also be held *prima facie* responsible for any misconduct in the same regard by his client or his client's employees. To that end it is declared that henceforth the lawyer representing the side employing improper means with a jury is presumed to be the responsible source of such scandal, and where such improper conduct is shown to have been employed, it is essential to the professional standing of the lawyer representing the side involved that he exonerate himself before the organized Bar from complicity in it or connivance at it.

All attempts to curry favor with juries by fawning, flattery, or pretended solicitude for their personal comfort are unprofessional. Suggestions of counsel looking to the comfort or convenience of jurors, and propositions to dispense with argument, should be made to the court out of the jury's hearing.

A lawyer must never converse privately with jurors or prospective jurors, and both before and during the trial he should avoid communicating with them even as to matters foreign to the cause.

It is not professional for a lawyer to offer evidence which he knows the court should reject in order, under the guise of arguing its admissibility, to get the same before the jury, nor should a lawyer address to the judge arguments or statements known to be foreign to the issue.

It is particularly reprehensible to introduce into an argument addressed to the court remarks or statements intended to influence the jury or prospective jurors in the cause.

It is disreputable and unprofessional to make, in an opening statement to the jury, or in an offer to prove, assertions which a lawyer knows he cannot or will not be permitted to prove.

A too narrow application of existing rules operates to relieve a large part of the most intelligent portion of the community from jury duty. The obligation rests upon the Bar to strive for greater liberality in these rules to the end that juries may possess the intelligence essential to true fairmindedness.

The members of the Bar who make up the judiciary are respectfully admonished that it is the consensus of opinion of this Association that the latitude often permitted counsel conducting jury trials, particularly in criminal cases, tends to confuse the issue, to improperly bias the jury, and to defeat the ends of justice; and it is the intent of this code respectfully to remind the Bench that it is the duty of the courts, in their ethical relations to the Bar, to hold all counsel strictly and impartially to the issues involved, in criminal and civil jury trials, and to enforce their orders and admonitions given to that end with all of the powers at their command.

### XI.

#### THE CONDUCT OF CRIMINAL CAUSES.

This Association takes notice of the opinion expressed by the Chief Executive of the Nation—himself a distinguished lawyer and judge—that



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the administration of the criminal law is a disgrace to our institutions. It further recognizes that the remedy lies to a large extent in the domain of legal ethics. It therefore lays down the following canons which should be obvious but which it believes have been generally disregarded in the trial of criminal causes:

The lawyer's right and obligation to defend persons charged with crime carries with it no duty and no right to prostitute either the letter or the spirit of the law.

The lawyer's primary obligation, as an officer of the court, to assist in the administration of justice, is neither abrogated nor diminished by his appointment or retainer to defend a person charged with crime.

A lawyer who invents or manufactures defenses for prisoners, or who procures their acquittal by the practice of any manner of deceit, cajolery, wilful distortion, or misrepresentation of facts, or any other means not within the spirit as well as the letter of the law, is to be reckoned as an enemy to society more dangerous than the criminal himself; while successes at the Bar won by such methods can never be the basis of desirable professional reputations, but, on the contrary, are badges of infamy.

Whenever an attorney's professional obligation compels him to bring about the acquittal of a person charged with crime through the advancement of a legal proposition foreign to the guilt or innocence of the accused, his success is to be regarded both by him and by his professional brethren rather as the culmination of a regrettable duty than as a professional triumph.

Lawyers representing the people in public prosecutions should use every proper means to lay before the jury the cause of the people, and should strive to prevent miscarriages of justice through the exercise by persons accused of crime, or those acting in their behalf, of any improper or corrupt means.

In the criminal law it must be remembered that the people rightfully demand, and are entitled to, not only the conviction of the guilty but the acquittal of the innocent as well.

To the extent of a full recognition of the foregoing principles, the feelings of the attorney charged with the prosecution or with the defense may properly enter into his client's cause, but beyond this he should avoid bringing his personality or his personal feelings or beliefs into a criminal cause.

## XII.

### PARAMOUNT ETHICAL OBLIGATION.

As a final and emphatic canon in this its Code of Ethics, the Bar Association of San Francisco admonishes the profession that its members are officers of the court charged with the high duty of aiding in the administration of justice, and that this duty enters into and must be recognized as the dominant factor in the interpretation of any obligation resting upon the lawyer to further the interests of his clients or to maintain successfully their causes.



## Disaster and Reconstruction

The earthquake of April 18, 1906, and the following conflagration which lasted three days and wiped out 2800 buildings on over 300 blocks, including all of the business district of San Francisco, completely destroyed the headquarters of the Bar Association in the Savings Union bank building on California street. Nothing was left of its fine library, started in 1885 with a voluntary fund of \$12,000 and developed during the years. The many bulletins, printed proceedings of meetings at which notable addresses were given, the minutes for thirty-four years and many souvenirs of the Association's activities, all went to destruction in the flames. Practically all the members had their law libraries in the fire-swept area from which nothing could be saved. With all other public and semi-public libraries, the city's law library and that of Hastings College of the Law were consumed, all courts and practically all legal records were burned, so that only here and there in outlying homes of attorneys was there a law book left in San Francisco. In a few hours 250,000 people were left homeless on the end of the peninsula, the equipment of the city's civilization was mainly wiped out and the world instantly began rushing aid to the victims of one of the great disasters of history. The members of the legal profession naturally played a leading part in all ways with other citizens in the immediate tasks of relief and organization.

The courts, like the rest of the municipal organization, quickly found scattered quarters in homes, small halls, synagogues and stores in the unburned areas and began functioning with what equipment could be secured, and the legal profession and judicial system resumed activities as, and when possible, under chaotic conditions. The tasks confronting the legal profession were prodigious and the Bar Association promptly played its part in the common cause. Individual members gave loyal and distinguished service as citizens in many ways and the Association, as an organization, quickly got itself together for the resumption of its functions.

At the annual meeting, a few weeks before the fire, W. B. Cope, son of former president W. W. Cope, had been elected president and Curtis H. Lindley and J. W. Lilienthal vice-presidents.

Five days after the fire was under control, President Cope called a meeting of the Association to be held in a court-room established in Temple Israel, California and Webster streets, and another followed in another improvised court-room on May 4th. These were informal discussions of the situation in general and of the losses and duties of the Bar Association in particular. The most instant need was for law books for the courts and members of the profession, and the possibilities of quickly developing a supply were given precedence in the plans for action formulated. Their accumulation from every possible source, included surviving homes of attorneys, was hastened, while orders were given to publishing houses.

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The minutes show that at a meeting on May 17th, it was reported that against the complete loss of the library and all other equipment of the Association, there was insurance of \$15,000. Five second-floor rooms for temporary headquarters, at 1228 McAllister street, had been leased. Various law books, including sets of state reports, had been ordered. Generous offers of financial assistance were reported received from other bar associations, particularly those of New York, Brooklyn and Milwaukee. The offer of the New York Association was of \$5,000. It was resolved to inform the donors that as the library losses were partly covered by insurance, the association did not feel it necessary to accept financial aid, but that books would be received with appreciation, suggesting to the Bar Association of New York sets of the New York Reports and the New York Statutes and Codes. A similar response was made to the Milwaukee and Brooklyn Associations. The responses of these associations were prompt and generous. At this meeting all dues of members owing before June 1, 1906, were remitted.

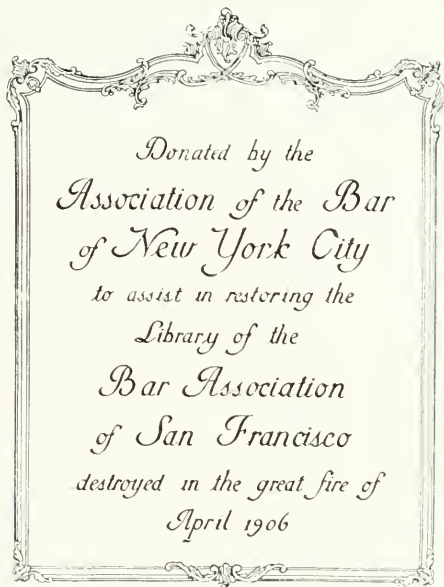
At meetings in the following July thanks were voted to the New York Association for about 1400 volumes received and to the Milwaukee and Brooklyn Associations for generous contributions of books. Book plates recording the sources of these volumes were ordered placed within the covers. At several meetings of the trustees during the next few weeks, lists of books for the library were considered and approved. The use of the Association library was tendered to students of the Hastings Law School.

About this time the Association received \$14,700 of insurance and felt that it was getting on its feet in an organized and efficient way. The officers and trustees kept the Association in vital touch with the strenuous public affairs of the time and was ready to take any action which would make its influence or direct co-operation of service to the cause of municipal organization and reconstruction. A special session of the legislature had been convened to take needed action in different ways to relieve the confusion created by the destruction of legal records, including land titles, and in all this work the Association gave full co-operation. The legislative and legal history of the period following the fire is an interesting one but cannot be entered upon here. Legal holidays were declared daily by the Governor for some weeks to effect a moratorium, a special session of the Legislature passed the McEnerney Act to restore titles in the absence of legal records, the famous graft scandal developed in the municipal government and the tasks of reconstruction were many and great. Many members were individually prominent in the legal and civic affairs of the three years of rehabilitation, and the Bar Association gradually resumed its strength and functions also. Curtis H. Lindley was senior vice-president during these three years and when he assumed the presidency in January, 1909, he said of this period, "In the course of the process of regeneration, the Bar Association was awakened to a

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new life. It restored its library, held together its organization and commenced to appreciate that there was some reason for its continued existence. The conditions which arose in this city emphasized the need for concerted action and an earnest effort to correct some of the many evils."

During the fall of 1906, the Association endorsed a ticket of local judicial candidates, gave a special campaign committee \$500 for expenses and offered a reward of \$500 for information convicting of violation of the election laws. In October monthly dues were reduced to \$1.50 and meetings were made monthly instead of quarterly.



ONE OF THE BOOK PLATES IN SEVERAL THOUSAND VOLUMES

For the two years, 1907 and 1908, the officers and trustees were continued with little change and the life of the Association proceeded with an even tenor. W. B. Cope was reelected in the two years noted, as was Senior Vice-President Curtis H. Lindley, who was soon to make his four-year-term an outstanding period in the history of the Association. J. W. Lilienthal, president at a later time, was junior vice-president in 1906, and A. Comte, Jr., in 1907 and 1908.

During 1907 the Association co-operated actively with the city ad-

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ministration and other civic bodies in various matters of public importance, including the securing of needed amendments to the charter, improving the sanitary conditions of the city and the issuance of bonds for public improvements. In June, 1907, the Association leased roomy quarters on the top floor of the Pacific Building, at Fourth and Market streets, one of the first large office buildings to be constructed in the burned district. Here the Association made its home until the end of 1923. The roll of members, May 1, 1907, consisted of 276 names. Throughout this year the Grievance Committee and the board of officers gave much attention to several cases of professional misconduct, as was also the case in the following year.

The most important feature of the doings of 1908 consisted of long committee labors and Association action regarding bills for the next legislature. Most prominent was a measure providing for the non-partisan nomination and election of judges, a reform long an aim of the Association and which was finally accomplished. William Denman led the work on this measure. Particular attention was given to the election of judicial officers that year.

## Another New Start

It was three years before the city's business and professional life was fairly concentrated again in the original and present business district, and then largely in temporary "shacks." But as construction rapidly went on, larger business establishments moved down town and office buildings were reestablished. The scattering of business and professional locations had been one handicap to attendance at Bar Association headquarters, and this was one of the reasons why the membership, which had been over 500 a few years before, remained in 1909 at less than 300.

But another period of rejuvenation and activity followed the election, in January, 1909, of Curtis H. Lindley as president. Mr. Lindley, of the law firm of Lindley and Eickhoff, was a distinguished lawyer and a man of strong character, high ideals and energy. He was devoted to his profession and for four years gave freely of his time and ability to an effort as president, to make the Bar Association a means of real service to the legal profession in enabling it to realize in some measure its possibilities in the way of bettering its own standards and strengthening and improving the machinery of justice. He was ably seconded by other officers, trustees and committee members who displayed a splendid spirit of co-operation and self-sacrificing service.

Early in this four-year period the plan of having able speakers discuss legal topics of current interest to serious minded members of the profession at quarterly and special meetings, was inaugurated and kept up for

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some time. The proceedings of such meetings were occasionally printed in pamphlet form or summarized in bulletins, notably during 1910. These meetings were at times preceded by a dinner or luncheon. At these gatherings the president and others made vigorous efforts to awaken and sustain an interest in the Association's success. The interest aroused reinforced a drive for membership which carried the roll above the 500 mark during 1909. The dues were reduced from \$2.50 per month to \$1 per month for members practicing less than five years and \$1.50 for others, besides an annual library fee of \$5.

Much attention was given during the session of the legislature early in the year to a number of measures the Association committees had long labored on, and later a series of matters were formulated for different committees, including reform of the jury system and of court procedure, non-partisan judicial elections, lessening court delays, the expediting of appeals, etc.

Probably the distinguishing feature of the Lindley period of the Association's history was the organization of the California Bar Association in which President Lindley took the initiative. There was then existing a strong bar association in Los Angeles and a number in other cities, besides various county organizations. State associations existed in a number of states and they were increasing, aided by the strong efforts of the American Bar Association and the general realization of lawyers of professional spirit that state-wide organizations of attorneys and judges were the most efficient means of securing the legislation needed to remedy evils and defects in the legal system, which were so widely recognized, and so largely responsible for the law's esteem of the courts and legal profession in the public mind.

This cause was taken up vigorously by President Lindley early in his term, cordially seconded by many leading members. A special committee on the subject was created, and plans carefully prepared. A circular letter was sent to all California associations and to judges and others in counties where no associations existed. The outcome was a meeting in San Francisco, October 18, 1909, attended by delegates from twenty-seven cities and counties. The delegates from the San Francisco body were the following: C. H. Lindley, Charles S. Wheeler, Warren Olney, Jr., Jesse W. Lilienthal, O. K. Cushing, E. A. Belcher, William Denman, Grant H. Smith, Emil Pohli. The meeting for organization followed an elaborate welcoming banquet on the previous evening, at which four distinguished attorneys of the State discussed in addresses the need of reforms in the law and the practices of the courts, and the work that an organized State body of lawyers and jurists could accomplish. The California Bar Association has been a marked success and has grown to a large membership and a commanding influence in its field.

One of the quarterly meetings of this period was that of March, 1910. After the fine dinner at a leading hotel, Supreme Justice F. M. Angellotti

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discussed "Some Duties of the Legal Profession," with reference to reform in the law and its administration. He observed that nearly all laws relating to procedure are due to the influence of the legal profession, and he reflected the active interest in the subject then aroused by saying: "That the members of our profession in California are awakened to their responsibility in this matter is shown by the interest that is now being manifested therein by members of this Association and those of the Los Angeles Bar Association, and also by the recent institution, under the most favorable auspices, of the California Bar Association, one of the declared objects of which is 'to cultivate and advance the science of jurisprudence,' and to promote reform in the law and in judicial procedure.' As was recently said by Mr. Richard Olney, in addressing the new State Bar Association of Massachusetts, in such matters 'only a Bar Association which is representative of the entire body of lawyers of a state can speak with the necessary authority or can hope to have the necessary influence.'"

"Instructions to Juries" was discussed by State Attorney General U. S. Webb, and Seth Mann expounded a pending amendment to the constitution reconstituting the State Railroad Commission, making it appointive and



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giving it jurisdiction of all public utilities. The amendment was successful later with the support of the Bar Association.

"The San Francisco Bar Association," said President Lindley, "has now reached a membership of over five hundred, and we are endeavoring to and shall endeavor to, in the next few months, show the work of the different committees and sections which have had charge of some of the matters that have seemed most important to be considered by the Association as such. It is expected that the work will go on so that at the meeting of the State Bar, which occurs in Los Angeles in November next, we shall have the crystallized judgment of this Association and different other legal associations who have received the printed copies of our record, in such form that we may make ourselves felt at the next meeting of the Legislature of the State."

Another outstanding feature of the Lindley four-year administration was the adoption of a code of ethics. This was one of the important measures proposed by the president at the annual meeting in January, 1910. A little later there was appointed a committee to formulate a code, consisting of Charles S. Wheeler, chairman; Warren Olney, Jr., A. C. Freeman, Charles A. Shurtleff and Grover O'Connor. The resulting code



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is given in full on other pages. It was drafted by Mr. Wheeler and discussed at length at successive meetings, from which modifications resulted. It was finally reported and adopted in October. The accompanying report reviewed the low state of the judicial system, the public complaints and the distrust of lawyers, and added the following expression of the real sentiments of those of the profession upon whose devotion the success of a bar association depends:

"The duty of maintaining its own reputation is the paramount obligation which the profession owes to itself. In order to rehabilitate itself in the people's esteem, it must wake up and exact of itself the performance of its ethical obligations. A failure to do so would be a confession that it is, as a profession, unequal to the honorable duties which a patriotic people has laid upon it.

"Without organization the Bar cannot hope to meet the obligations which rest upon the profession as a whole. Every man who is fit to stay in the profession is fit to be a member of his local Bar Association. The reputable members of the profession and the whole legal body owe it to themselves to exercise proper supervision of the professional conduct of the individuals making up the professional body. By common consent, no man should be held to be in reputable standing at the Bar who is unwilling to identify himself with the organized Bar. The time when apathy and neglect by the individual in this regard can be further tolerated has passed. Henceforth it must be made an accepted canon of the profession that membership in such an organization, and a proper attention to the obligations of membership, are essential to professional standing."

The constitution of the Association was radically amended in 1912, and it has undergone various changes since. Nine committees were created to deal with as many lines of work, and three governors were substituted for the trustees, these and the officers composing the Board of Governors. The library fee was abolished.

Particular attention was given to the endorsement of judicial candidates and the support of those selected. In 1910 there was a postal vote of members, with 228 voting. In 1912 the Australian system of balloting was tried, with 205 ballots cast. After this election, William Denman, still heading the campaign for non-partisan judicial elections, said at a meeting, "In San Francisco, at the last election, a determined effort was made to reach the citizens with the choice of the Bar Association. As in all other organization work undertaken by Judge Lindley, the work was thoroughly done. A copy of the Bar ticket was sent to every voter. All the candidates, many of them good politicians, eagerly sought for the endorsement. All the Bar candidates for the Superior Court were elected." He remarked that often bar associations, here as elsewhere, endorsed judicial candidates and let the matter drop.



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The rest of the four-year period reviewed above, proceeded on similar lines and with sustained success. With the California Bar Association in good working order, legislative matters have since been largely referred to it. A succession of complaints and investigations continued to occupy the Grievance Committee, and a few matters made a good deal of noise. This administration gave the Association an impetus and policy that constituted a sustained advance. In noting the death of Judge Lindley in his monthly bulletin for November, 1920, Judge Jeremiah F. Sullivan, then president, said, "He acted on his frequently expressed belief that every man is a debtor to his profession and owes an abiding obligation to be helpful to it and to his fellow workers embraced within its ranks. He was an exemplar of the highest type of the American lawyer."

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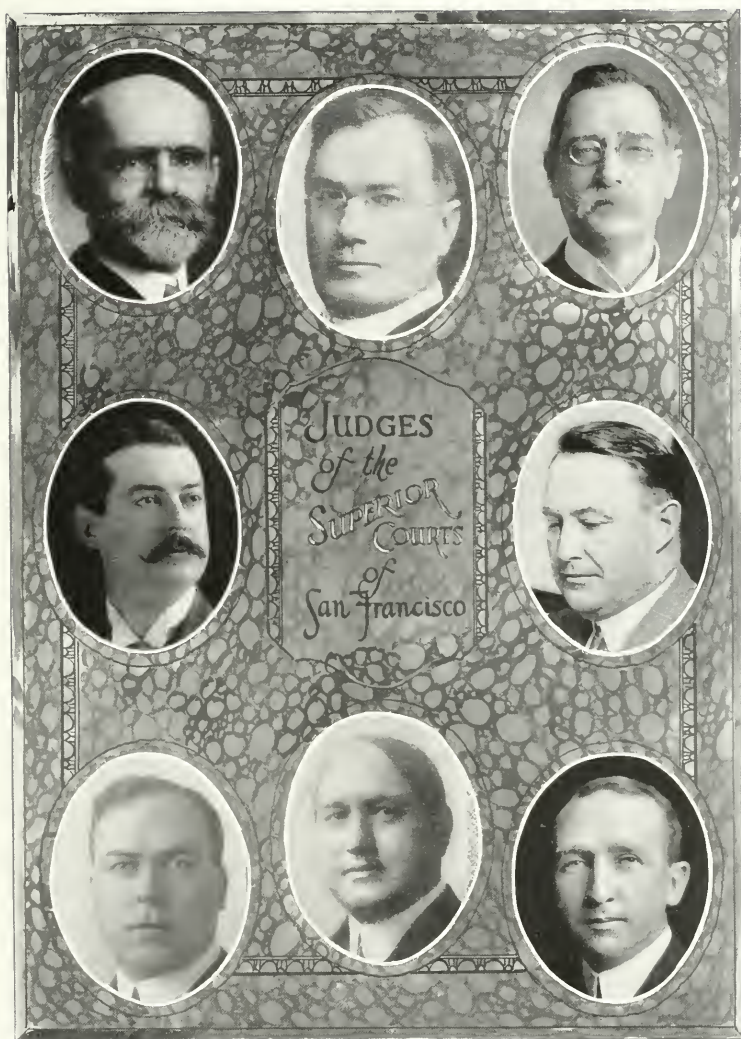
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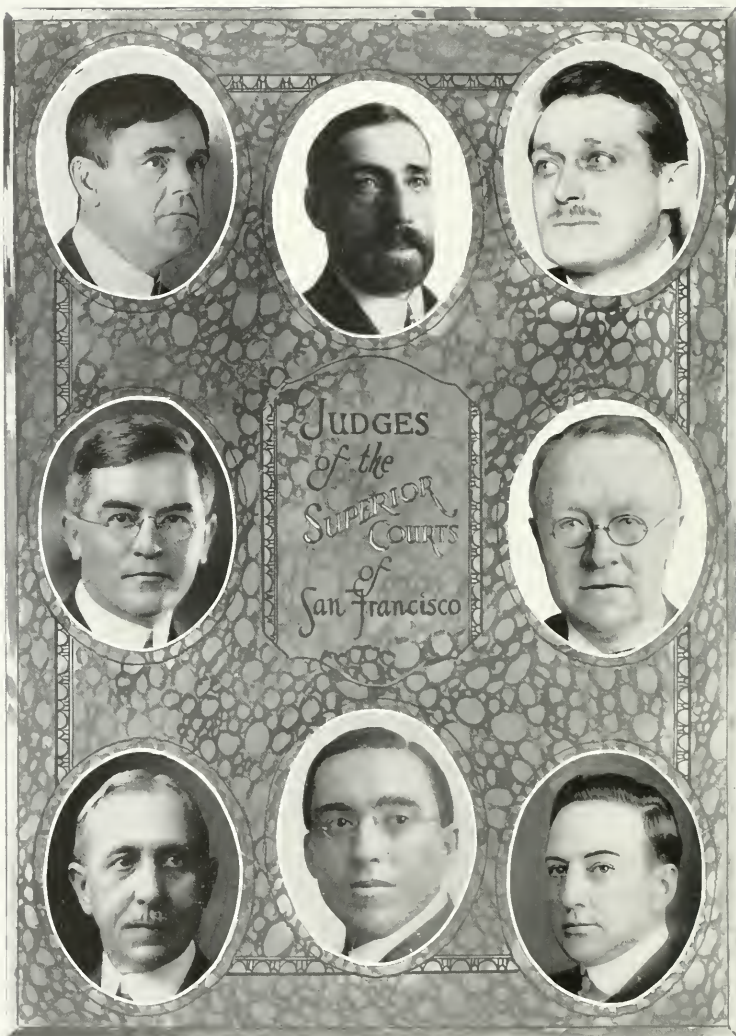


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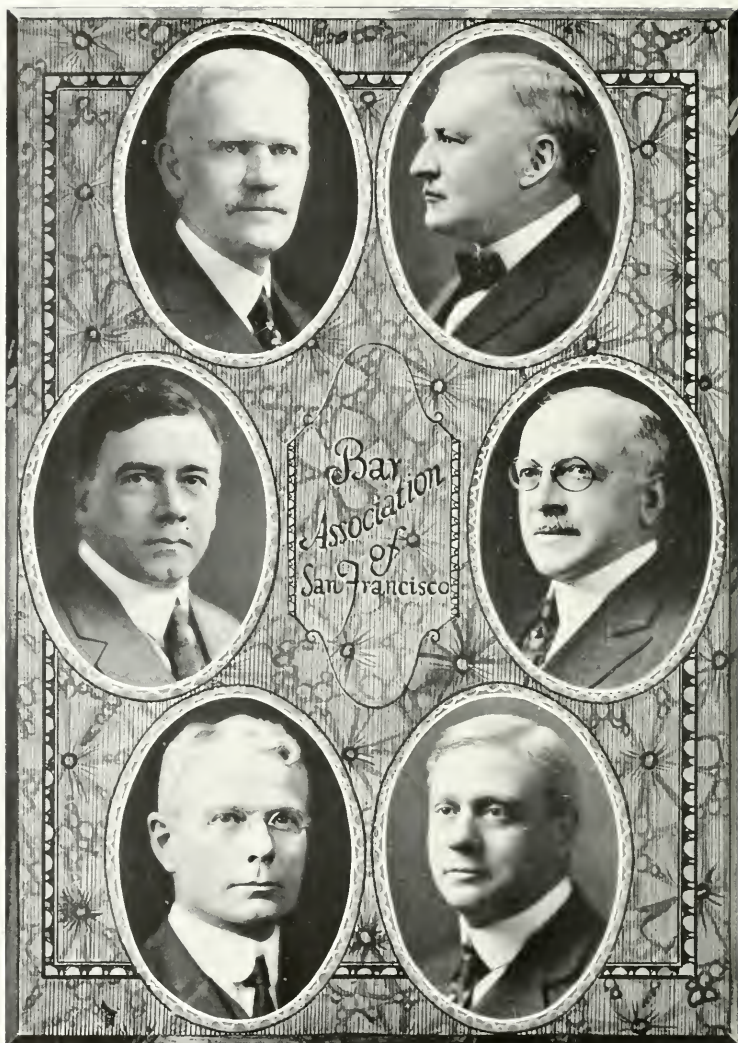
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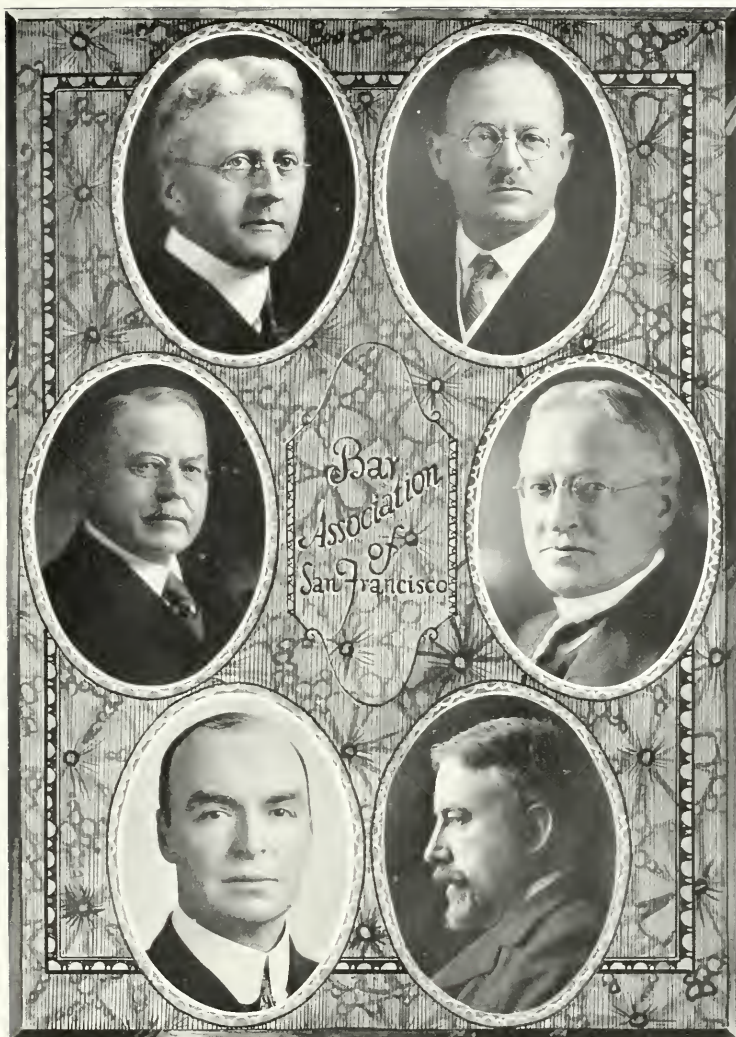
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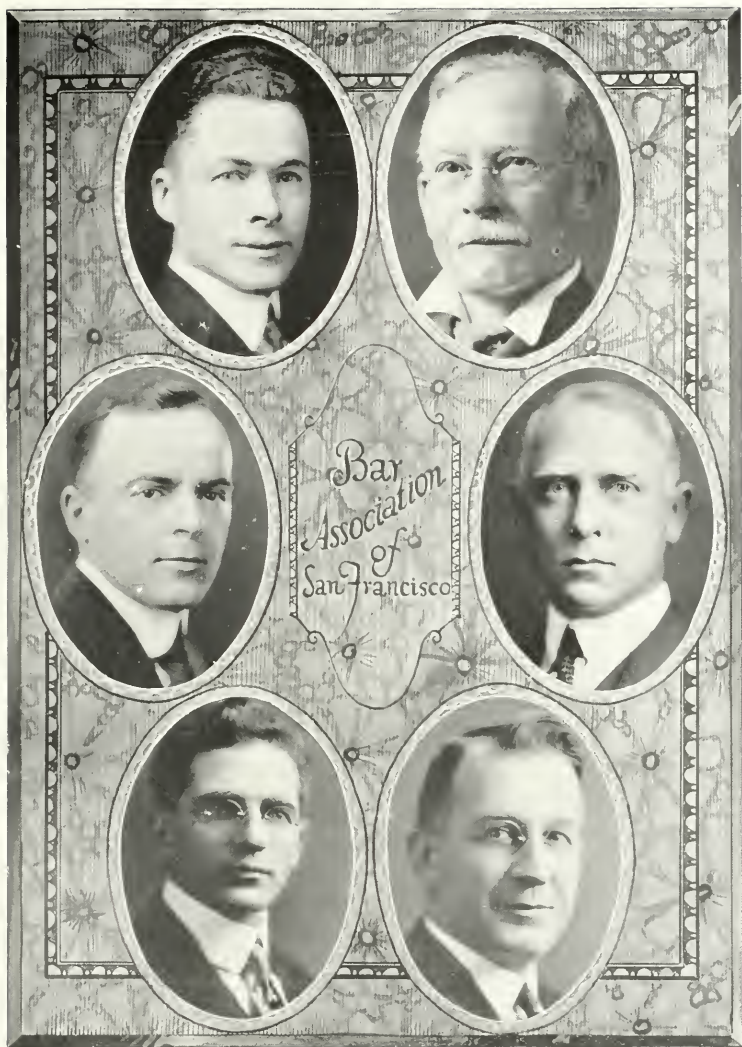
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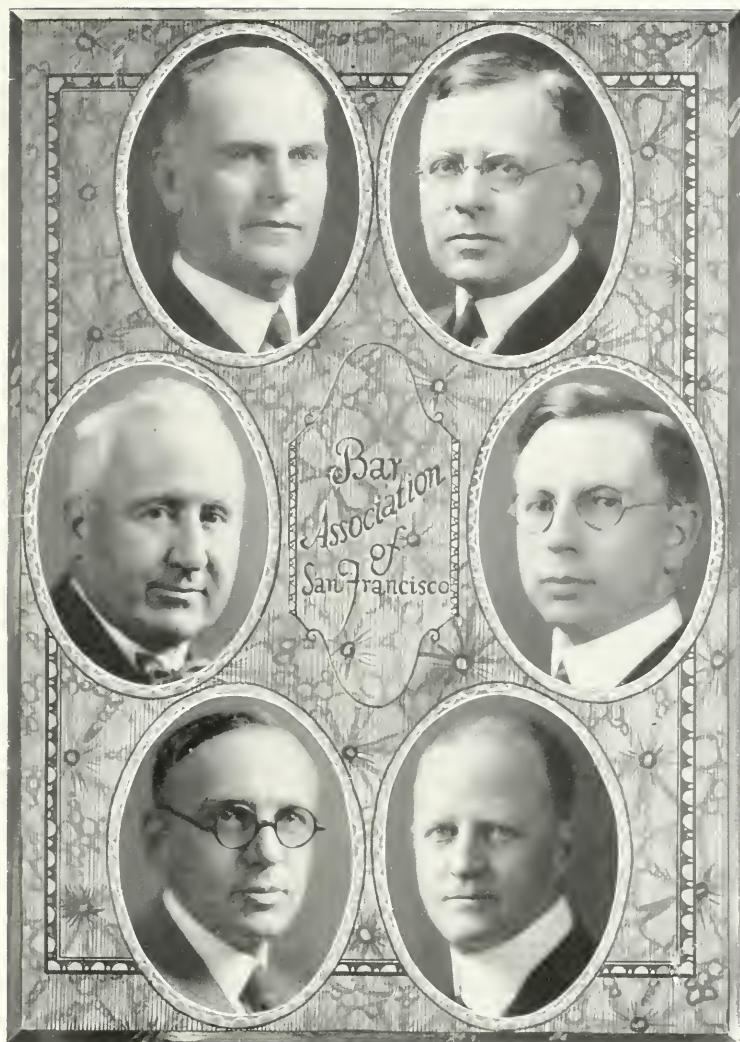
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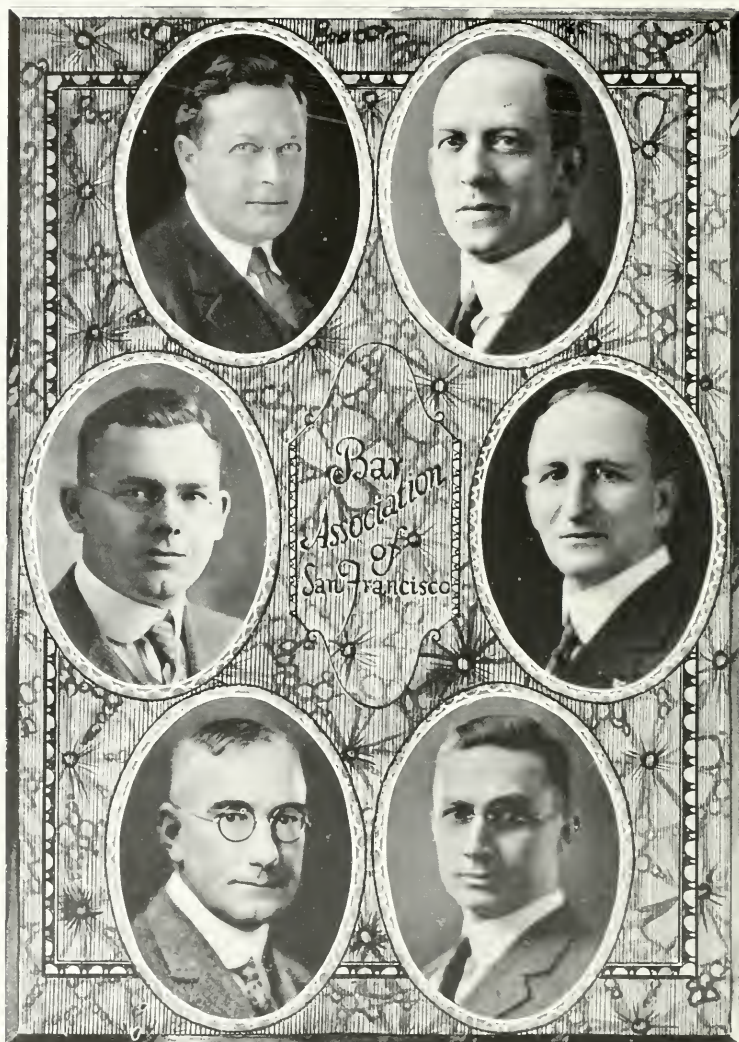
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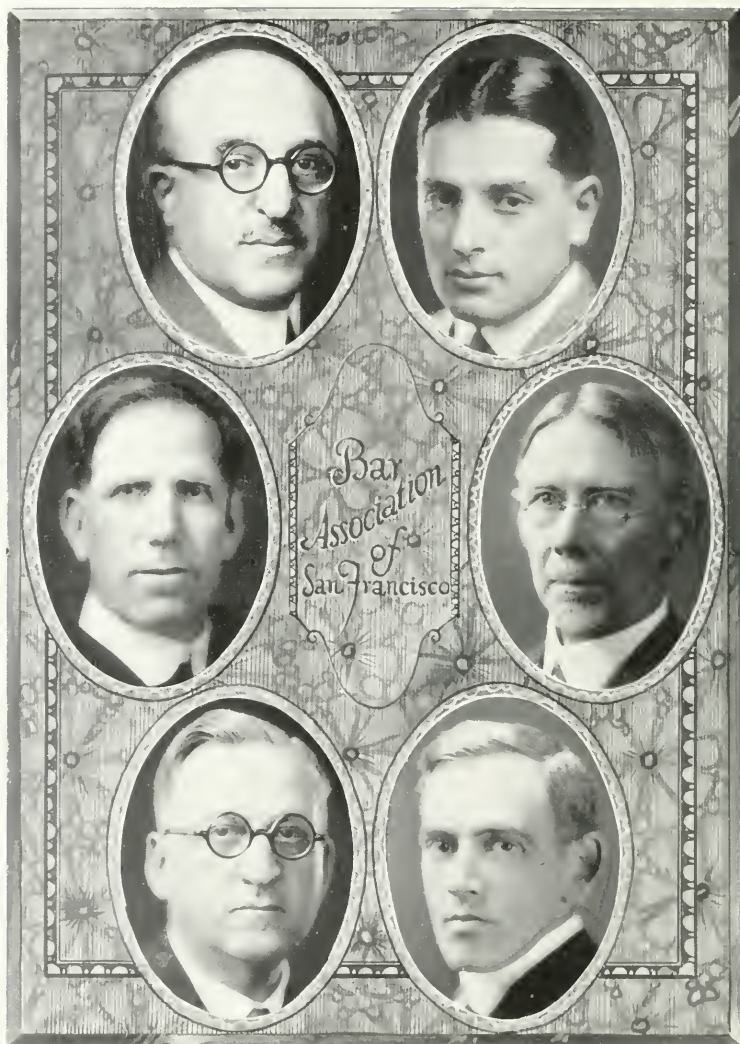
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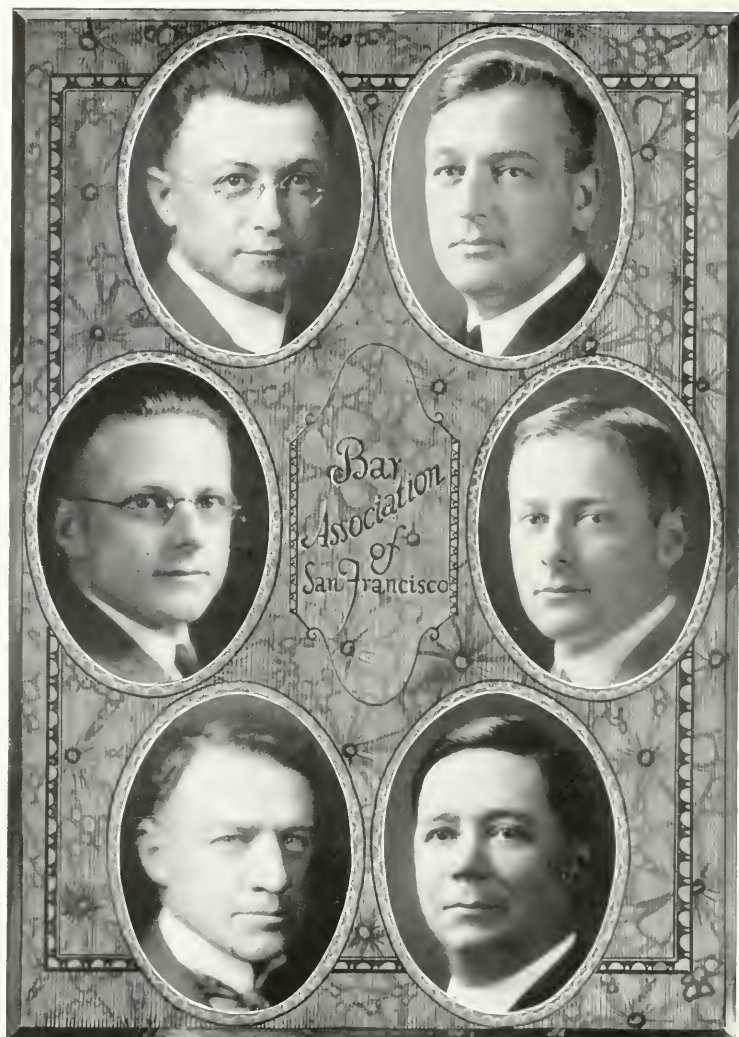
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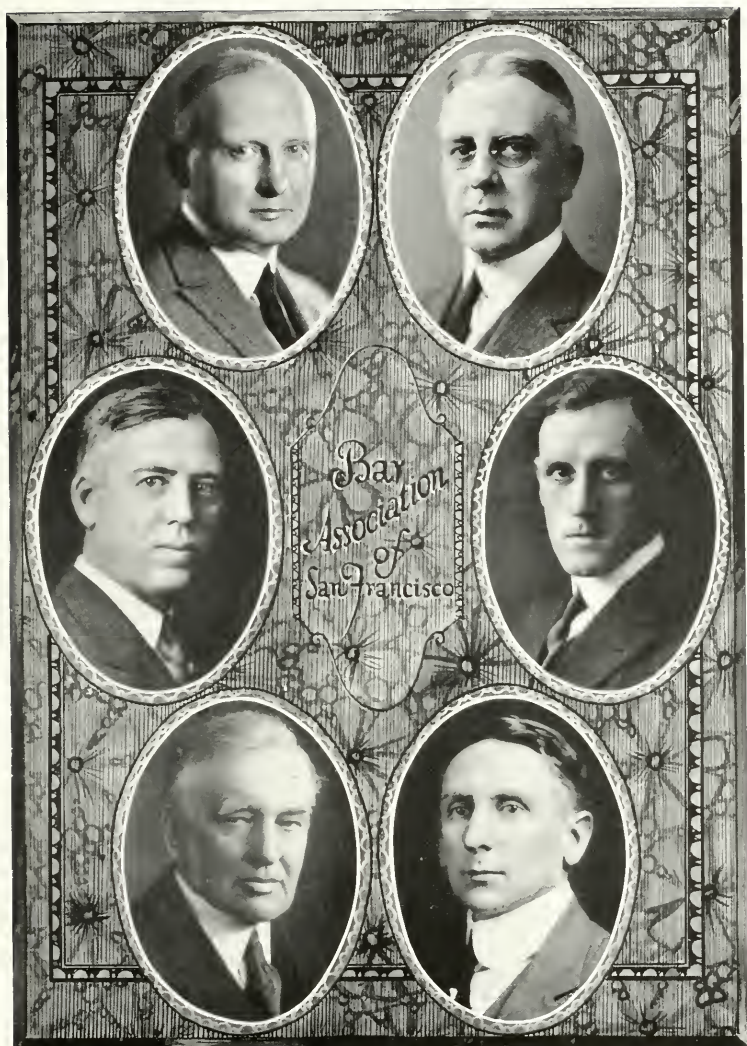
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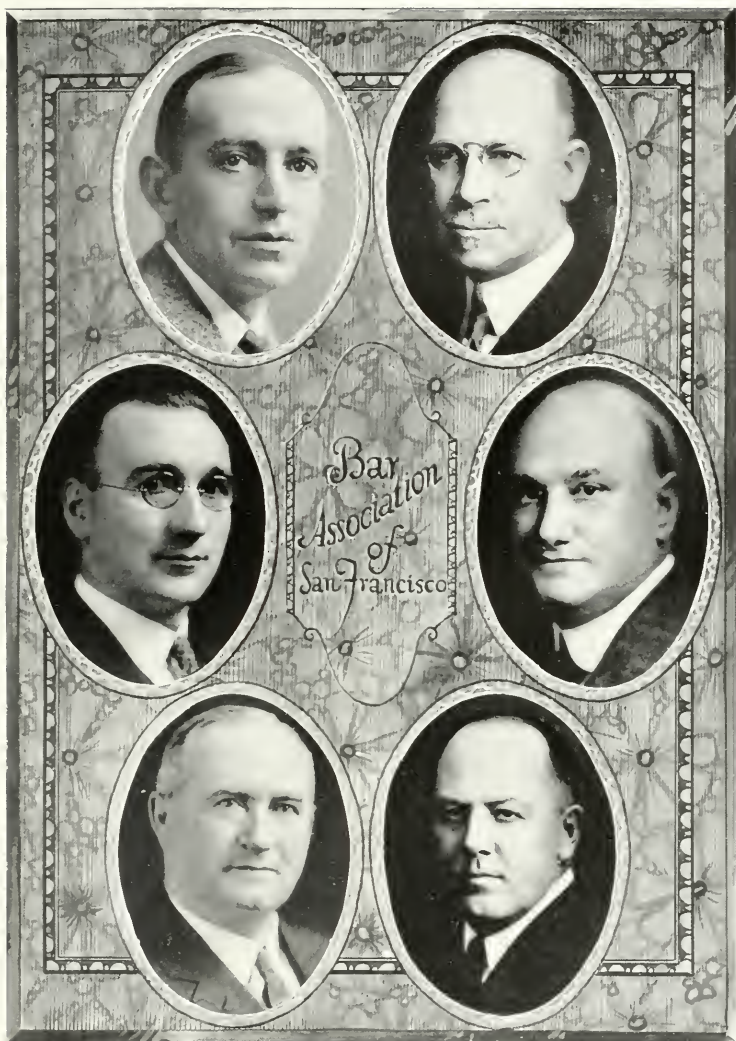
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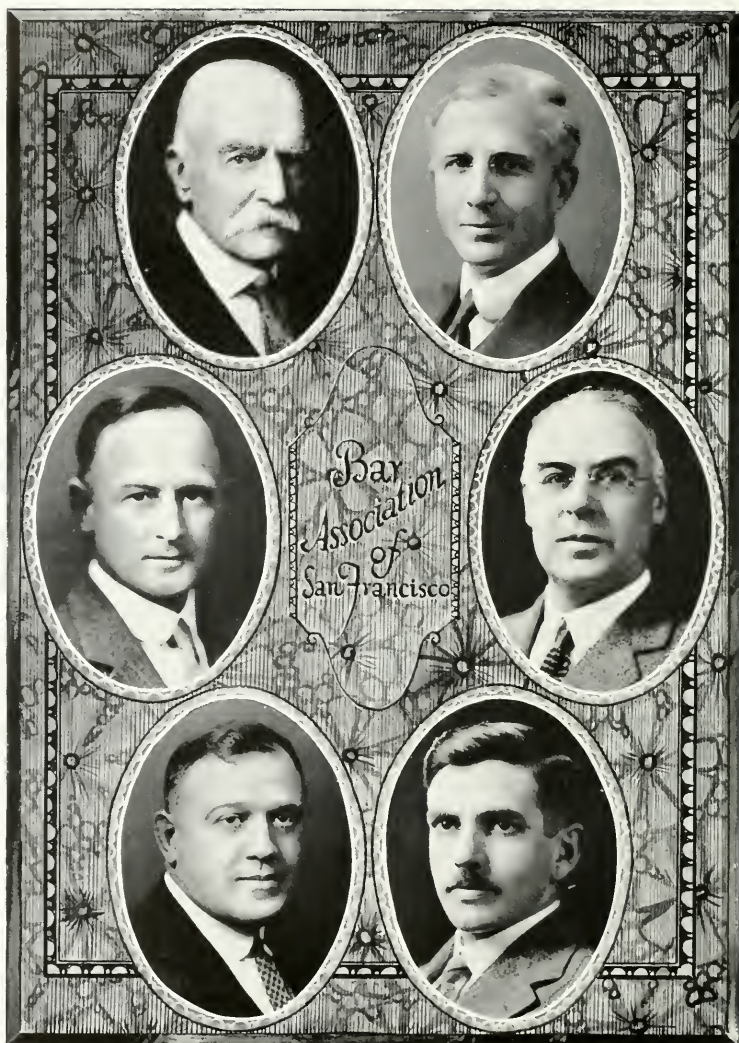
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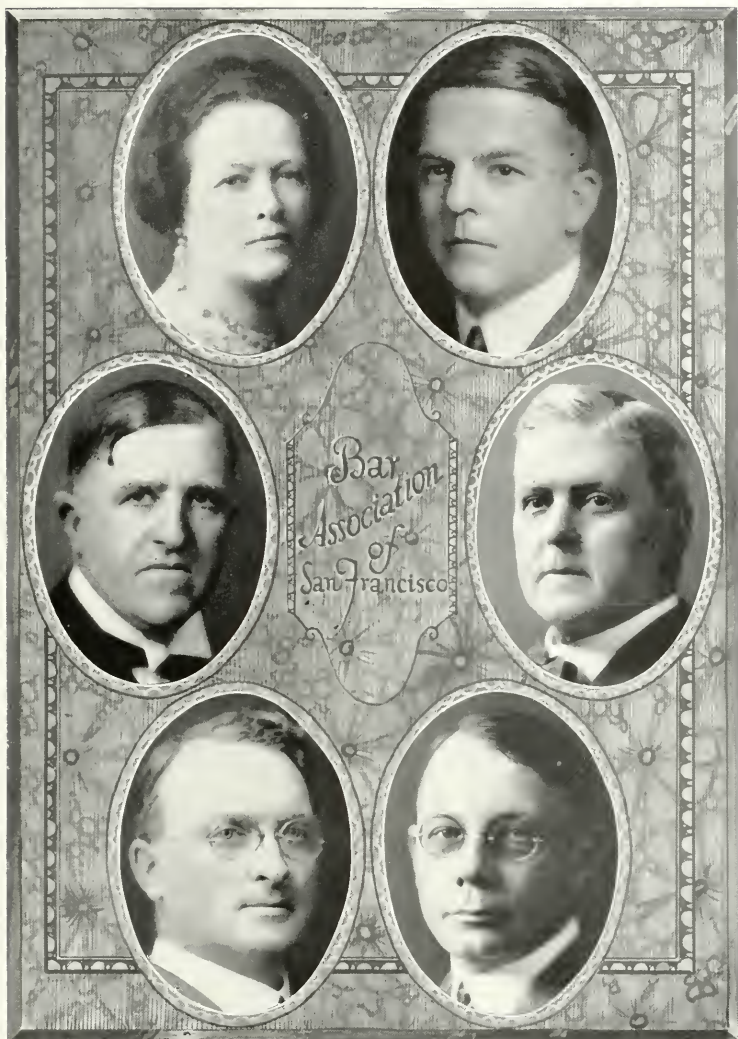
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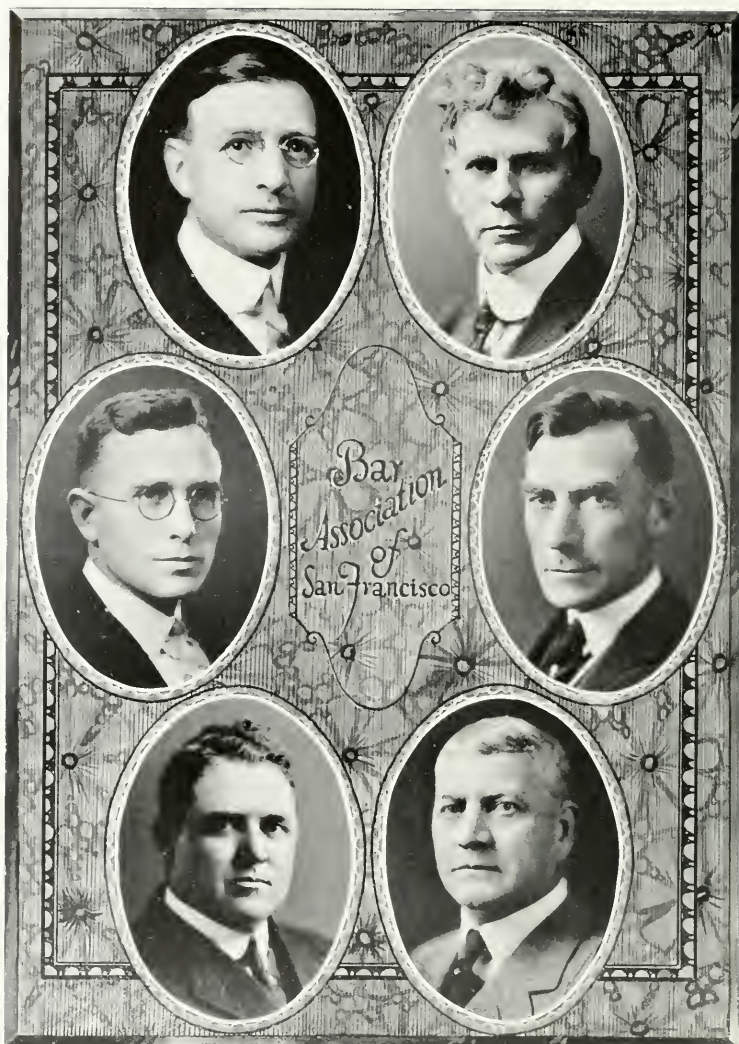
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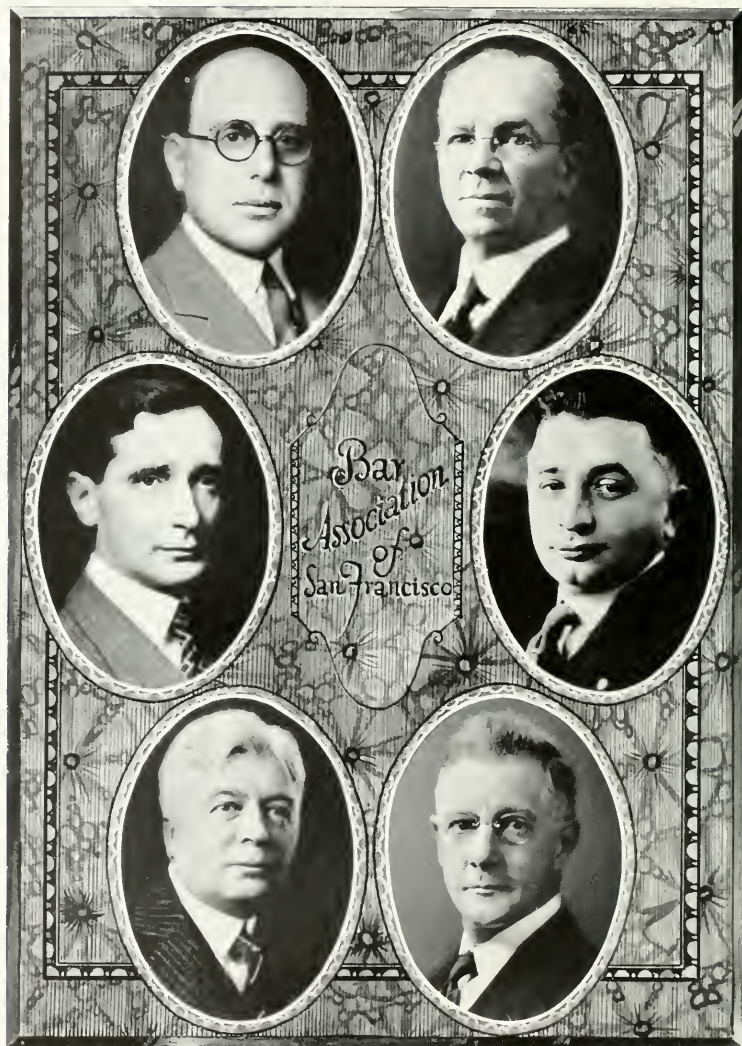
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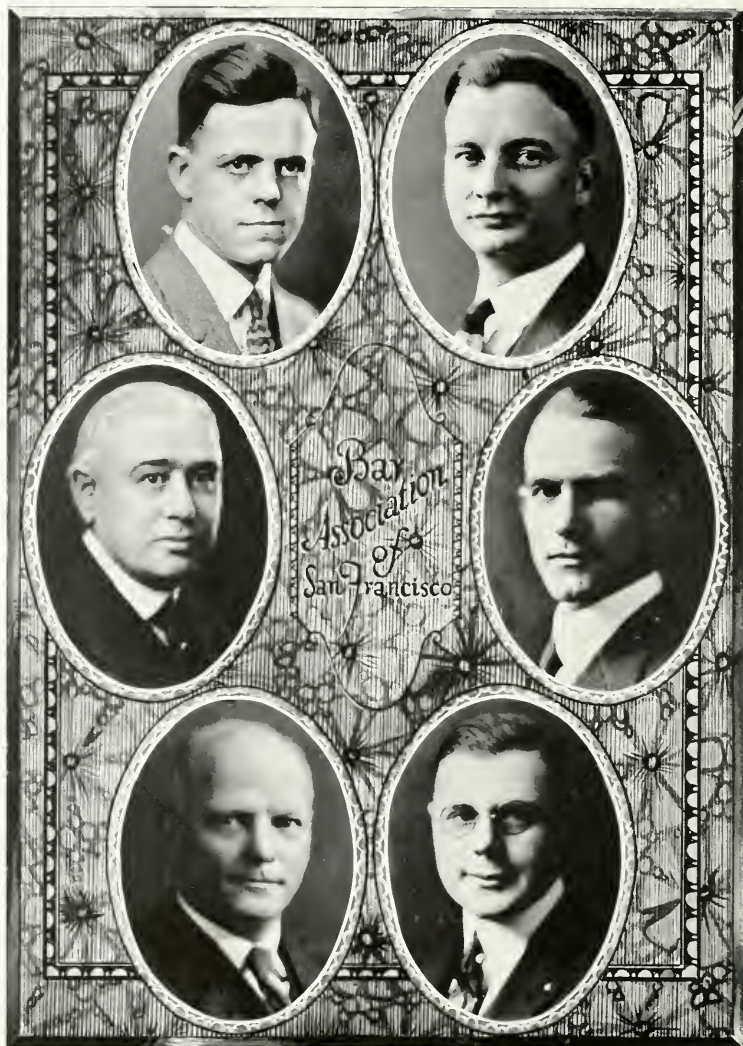
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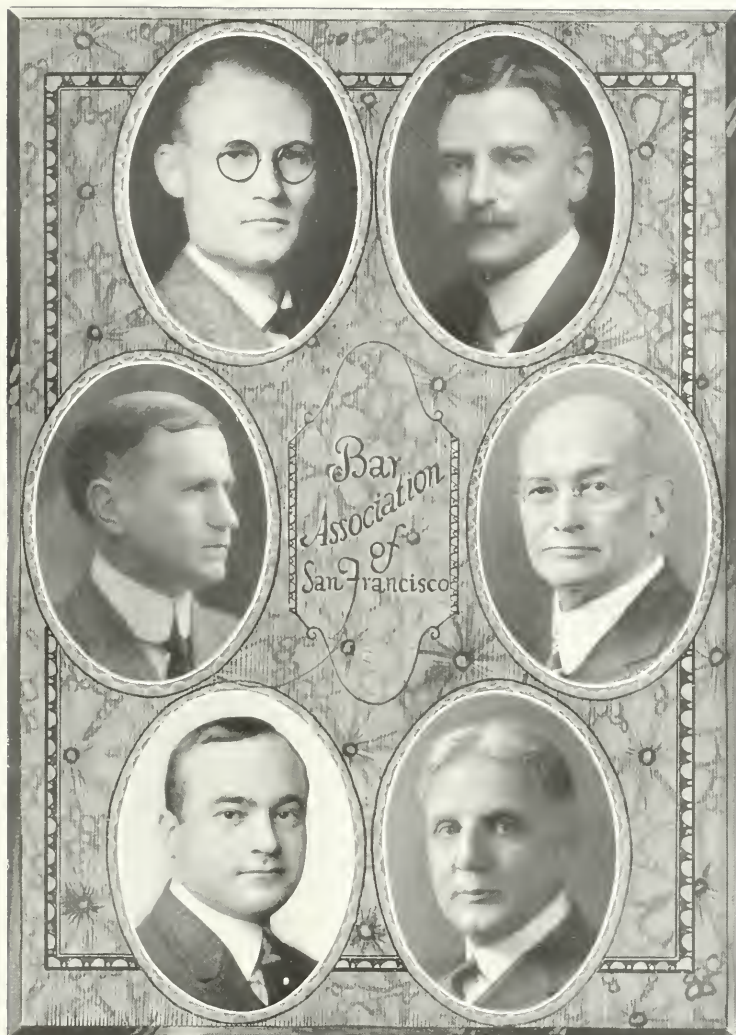
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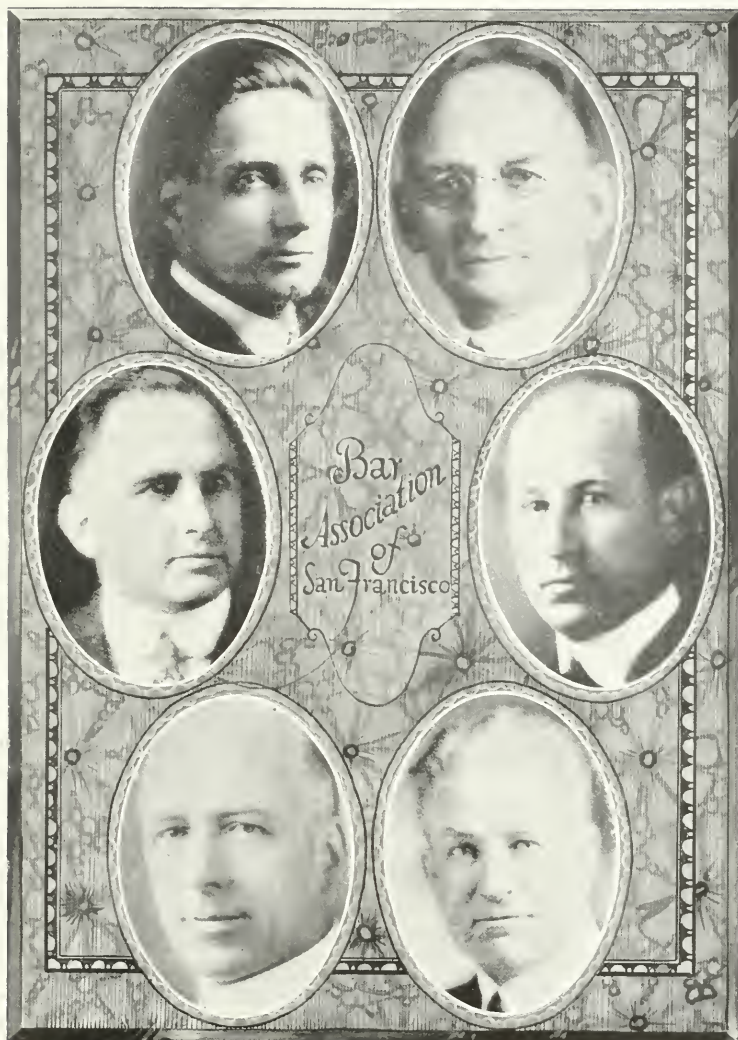
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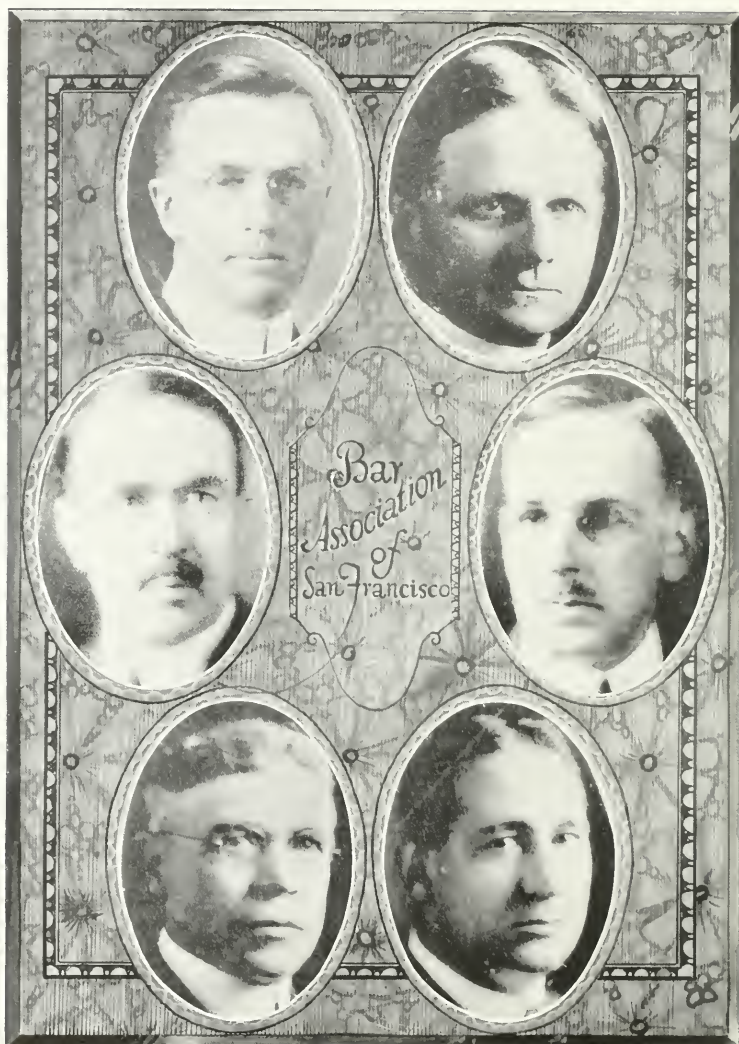
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# The Seven Year Administration of Judge Jeremiah F. Sullivan

By Arthur Wheeler

No praise or flattery is called for in writing the story of the administration of Judge Sullivan. The official records are enough. They show steady progress and success. In these seven years we find three outstanding features—the growth of the organization to its highest membership, the activities of the war period and its successful purification of the political atmosphere.

That the membership of the Association increased 300 per cent under the administration of Judge Sullivan is sufficient testimony to the popularity of his methods and policies.

When he assumed the presidency in 1917, the membership was 360; at the end of 1919, it was 850; at the end of 1921, it was 1000, and at the end of 1923, it was 1200.

Here we see a steady and healthy increase based on merit, work and popularity.

Jeremiah F. Sullivan was born in Connecticut in 1851, and was brought by his parents to California in the following year. He is a graduate of St. Ignatius College, admitted to the Bar in 1874, was a member of the Board of Education in 1877, and elected Superior Judge in 1879, which position he filled until August 1, 1889, when he resigned to enter private practice.

Holding always to the belief that men of the law when banded together can be of inestimable benefit to the community, he has followed this ideal course in all his dealings with the Bar Association.

His personality had much to do in making the Bar Association a real and vital instrument of aid during the war period. Many of the members volunteered to, and did, look after the legal matters of those who were absent in the service of their country, giving their time and work free of all cost. On October 20, 1919, more than three hundred members of the Bar Association who had served in either the army or the navy were officially welcomed home by the organization.

When things had settled down after the war, in 1920, the Association began to direct its activities more towards the conduct of the courts and to the political field.

A chronological account of some of the meetings of the Association will cover most of the main events of Judge Sullivan's administration.

**January 12, 1917:** Election of officers: President, Jeremiah F. Sullivan; Senior Vice-President, William B. Bosley; Junior Vice-President, William Denman; Board of Governors, Max Blum.

**March 9, 1917:** Plans of the San Francisco Association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis in requesting the Board of Supervisors for a fund to build a country sanitarium were endorsed. President Sullivan appointed a committee on "Social Intercourse" as follows: William P. Humphrey, Charles S. Cushing, Charles A. Shurtleff, Jesse W. Lilienthal, E. S. Heller and William Thomas.

**June 8, 1917:** Committee appointed to institute disbarment proceedings against an attorney. A committee to direct a campaign among San Francisco attorneys for the purchase of Liberty Loan Bonds, consisted of: A. F. Morrison, Jesse W. Lilienthal and Charles S. Cushing. Within three days this committee reported subscriptions of \$20,000 among attorneys. Later reports brought this sum up to \$177,550.



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**September 5, 1917:** A committee of twenty-five were appointed to work for increased membership.

**October 12, 1917:** A new Liberty Loan committee was appointed for the second series of Liberty Bonds with a membership of: A. F. Morrison, Charles S. Cushing and Jesse W. Lilienthal.

**January 11, 1918:** Two proposed amendments to Article XII of the Constitution relative to the disciplinary code were adopted. The officers were elected for the year.

**March 8, 1918:** The Secretary of War, Lindley M. Garrison, was a guest of the Association at a formal dinner. The Constitution was amended to exempt members of the Association in the service of the army or navy during the war from payment of dues. This was made retroactive to April 1, 1917.

**April 18, 1918:** A resolution of Edward F. Treadwell was adopted. This opposed the adoption of Constitutional Amendment No. 61, which gave the Legislature practically complete new power over the courts.

**June 5, 1918:** The members were addressed by Judge Curtis H. Lindley on "The Lawyer in War Time." There was an address from Hartley F. Peart on "Necessity for Better Organization of the Bar."

**October 11, 1918:** Addresses were made by Lieutenant Destin de Wiersbicki, of the French Army, and Dr. T. Miyaoka, of Tokyo, and also by the President of the California Bar Association, Charles S. Cushing, who spoke on Constitutional Amendment No. 45.

**January 10, 1919:** A resolution was adopted in favor of a bill in the Legislature granting the Bar Association disciplinary powers over members of the legal profession. Officers were elected for the year.

**March 14, 1919:** Lieutenant George J. Leavy, of the United States Navy, addressed the meeting. A resolution was adopted offering to collect the \$60.00 discharge bonus for service men free of charge. The meeting recorded itself as in favor of an act of the Legislature prohibiting the practice of law by corporations, companies and voluntary associations.

**June 24, 1919:** The meeting was addressed by George Creel, in favor of, and John H. Miller, against the League of Nations. A committee for a referendum campaign to stay the operation of the Community Property Law consisted of the following: John S. Drum, Albert I. Loeb, Joseph Kirk, A. J. Treat and Walter P. Johnson.

**October 19, 1919:** Amendment to Article V of the Constitution adopted.

**October 20, 1919:** Meeting and banquet to members of the Bar who had returned from war service. This was attended by five hundred members, and was the largest and most enthusiastic affair ever held by the organization. The "Welcome Home" address was made by John J. Barrett.

**January 9, 1920:** Address by William Cullen Dennis on "The Shantung Question." Mr. Dennis was at one time legal advisor to the government of China. Officers were elected for the coming year.

**March 12, 1920:** Disbarment proceedings against two attorneys were discussed, also alleged misconduct in two police courts. There were proceedings celebrating the seventieth anniversary of the Supreme Court of California.

**June 23, 1920:** An informal dinner was given to Mrs. Annette A. Adams, who had just been appointed as assistant to the United States Attorney General. The meeting was addressed by United States Senator Robert L. Owen. Increased salaries for Justices of the Supreme Court and the District Court of Appeal were recommended.

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**September 21, 1920:** An address was made by Robert M. Clarke, of Los Angeles, the subject being, "The Lawyer and His Duty to the Public." It was decided to renew the membership drive. The meeting again endorsed an increase of salary for Justices of the Supreme Courts and Courts of Appeal, also going on record as opposing the practice of law by corporations and those who were not licensed attorneys.

**October 26, 1920:** An address was made by F. R. Fairclough, of Stanford University. A committee on efficiency, increase of membership and influence of the Association was appointed as follows: Joseph J. Webb, Eustace Cullinan, Andrew Thorne, R. H. Cross and James R. Kelly.

**January 17, 1921:** The meeting was preceded by a dinner at which Lile T. Jacks and Sylvester J. Lazarus were the guests. They were the candidates for Police Judge approved by the Association. Officers for the ensuing year were elected.

**March 15, 1921:** An amendment to the Constitution proposing to sell the Library was lost by a vote of 65 to 60. A resolution by A. J. Treat recommending an increase of salaries for Superior Court Judges from \$6,000 to \$7,500 annually was adopted.

**June 20, 1921:** Charles A. Shurtleff, recently appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, was a guest. Addresses were made by former Justice Max C. Sloss and Hugh Henry Brown of Tonopah, Nevada. The Constitution was amended to exempt payment of dues of members for their first year of practice after admission, also amended to allow certain judges and justices to be ex-officio members of the Association without dues while holding office.

**October 26, 1921:** Judge Henry D. Clayton, of the United States District Court of Alabama, was a guest. The following committee to investigate the work of the Legal Aid Society was appointed: R. H. Cross, George A. Connolly and Courtney L. Moore. A nominating committee for officers of the ensuing year was named.

**January 18, 1922:** Addresses were made by Professor Maurice E. Harrison, dean of Hastings College of the Law, and by Colonel Charles A. Simmons, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. The Board of Governors were instructed to work for the success of the coming national convention of the American Bar Association. Officers were elected for the coming year.

**March 21, 1922,** Elihu Root was the guest at dinner and was welcomed by Justice William H. Langdon.

**October 30, 1922:** A general discussion of the measure aiming to prevent the practice of law by a corporation. Former United States Senator James D. Phelan was a guest. The committee to nominate officers for the coming year was named.

**January 16, 1923:** Officers were elected for the coming year. A committee to consider the continuance of the Law Library and to provide ways of raising funds for future activities was appointed as follows: F. M. Angellotti, Frank P. Deering, Hartley F. Peart, Jesse H. Steinhart, M. C. Sloss, Judge Charles A. Shurtleff and Randolph V. Whiting. A committee to consider enlarging membership of the Board of Governors was appointed as follows: C. J. Goodell, O. K. Cushing, Henry Eickhoff, F. E. Boland, J. B. McKeon, Alan C. Van Fleet and R. C. Foerster.

**March 13, 1923:** Following an informal dinner complimentary to Hon. John S. Partridge, recently appointed United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Judge Jeremiah F. Sullivan gave formal notice that at the next regular meeting he would move to amend Article XVII of the Constitution of the Association to read as follows:

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Section 1. Any Article of this Constitution other than Article II thereof, may be amended at any stated meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present and not otherwise; **provided** that a notice of the intended change be given to the Association at the previous stated meeting, and that a copy of the proposed amendment be mailed by the Recording Secretary to each member at least one week before action thereon.

Section 2. No amendment to Article II of this Constitution, nor amendment making a change in the purposes or objects of this Association as declared in said Article II, nor any amendment providing for or permitting a sale or disposal of the library of this Association shall become effective unless such amendment shall have been submitted to vote of the whole Association. The vote of the whole Association shall be taken by mail in such form as the Board of Governors may prescribe and the Association shall be bound by a two-thirds vote of the members voting on such amendment. Upon attestation by the Recording Secretary that the proposed amendment covered by this section of Article XVII of this Constitution has received an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members voting thereon, it shall become effective from the date of such attestation.

In a statement issued by Judge Sullivan is the following explanation:

NOTE—Article II above mentioned states the objects and purposes of the Association as follows:

"This Association is established to maintain the honor and dignity of the profession of the law, to increase its usefulness in promoting the due administration of justice, to cultivate social intercourse among its members, and to procure and maintain a library for their use."

Any amendment changing the fundamental purpose of the Association or amendment or act disposing of or discontinuing the Association Library, constituting the bulk of its tangible assets, should be acted on by a greater proportion of the membership than the attendance at a stated meeting. When the amendment providing for the discontinuance of the Library was voted on in March, 1921—only one hundred and twenty-five votes altogether were cast. If eighty-four of those one hundred and twenty-five had voted for the sale of the Library, the property rights of over ninety per cent of the membership would have been set aside by the affirmative action of less than ten per cent of such membership. Such a possibility is inconsistent with the legal and equitable property rights of the great body of the membership. If any body in the world should be deliberate and considerate in disposing of the property rights of either a majority or minority of its membership, especially where the enjoyment of the property is subordinate to trust obligations, it should be an organization composed of lawyers. Whatever the ultimate action of the Association may be on the "Webb Amendment," it seems but just that the entire membership should have the opportunity of voting on it by mail.

On motion of Judge W. W. Morrow, Chief Justice William H. Taft and Honorable Elihu Root were elected honorary members.

**June 18, 1923:** After an informal dinner to Admiral Edward Eberle, United States Navy, who was introduced by Chief Justice Curtis D. Wilbur, President Sullivan announced the appointment of the following committee on Judicial Candidates, as per Article XVI of the Constitution to act in the matter of endorsing candidates for Judicial Office at the election in November, 1923: Henry Eickhoff, Lloyd S. Ackerman, A. F. Brouillet, C. Harold Caulfield, Leon French, Maurice E. Harrison, Francis V. Keesling, Joseph C. Meyerstein and Joseph J. Webb. Committee to oppose admission to practice of C. Vincent Riccardi, a disbarred attorney: A. P. Black and F. E. Boland. Committee to prosecute proceedings for the punishment for contempt of George D. Collins, a disbarred attorney, for practicing law without a license: Herman H. Phleger and Fred L. Berry. A report of the special committee appointed January 16th to consider continuance of the library and providing funds for future activities was read by Judge F. M. Angelotti and, after some discussion, on motion of O. K. Cushing, the report was ordered printed and a copy sent to each member. A vote of thanks was extended to the committee. Judge Sullivan's amendment to Article XVII of the Constitution, as given out at the meeting of March 13th, was adopted.

**October 23, 1923:** An informal dinner was given to Mr. Takashi Komatsu, who addressed the Association on "The Recent Earthquake Disaster in Japan," illustrated with motion pictures and stereoptican slides. The regular quarterly meeting was then held.

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Mr. Goodell moved the adoption of his proposed amendment to Articles VI and XI of the Constitution, consideration of the same having been deferred at the last meeting. The amendment which increased the membership of the Board of Governors from six to eleven was adopted. The following committee was placed in nomination and elected to nominate officers for 1924: M. C. Sloss, Charles A. Shurtleff, Thomas E. Haven, Henry W. Dinkelspiel, Francis V. Keesling, A. W. Brouillet and Joseph B. McKeon. Judge Angellotti, chairman of the special committee on library quarters, read a report recommending that the Association move from the Pacific Building to 564 Market Street. The report was adopted and the Board of Governors instructed to arrange details.

Mr. W. C. Sharpsteen offered a resolution of instructions to the committee on Legal Aid. The resolution was adopted. Mr. J. J. Webb urged an energetic campaign for the incorporation of the State Bar at the 1925 session of the Legislature. President Sullivan urged support for Judges Life T. Jacks and Sylvester G. McAtee, who had been endorsed by the Association for re-election. He also spoke in behalf of a membership drive.

On October 13, 1923, Judge Sullivan was elected president of the California Bar Association at the fourteenth annual convention, held in Stockton.

He relinquished the presidency of the Bar Association of San Francisco to his successor, Beverly L. Hodghead, at the annual meeting January 23, 1924. This was the date of the formal opening of the new quarters in the Chancery Building, 564 Market Street.

At this meeting, after Judge Sullivan assured the members of the Association that they would find in their new president a man who would devote himself wholeheartedly to the affairs of the organization, an address by Superior Judge Peter J. Shields of Sacramento.

Vice-President Hodghead presiding, Frank P. Deering made the following address:

"Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen and Dear Judge Sullivan: Lawyers generally are conscious of a duty to their profession, more or less definite. Too many of us honor that obligation more in the breach than in the observance. But you, Judge Sullivan, during all the years that you have been president of this Association, have devoted your time and strength and have made its welfare uppermost in your thought. You have striven not only to make comradeship amongst the members of the bar, not only to make the Association that which it should be amongst the people, but you have made the members of the bar themselves realize what they should do for the law. As a result, for the first time in years, this Association occupies a position of respect among the people of this community.

"It is stronger now than it has been for years. You have been aided by those near you from time to time as you have called upon them, but you have given up all of your strength. And now that you are to go out into a wider field, we who have been near you are not willing that you shall go without our telling you what we think.

"You must realize that we are grateful, but we are not willing that it should be taken for granted. We acknowledge our indebtedness to you and we have put in writing something which we wish you to have, inadequate as it may be. But when you read it, and when you read the names that are signed to it, we want you to feel that these signatures are not merely autographs—that they are the names of men who are grateful to you for what you have done, who have for you a sincere regard and who entertain toward you a genuine and an abiding affection.

"And now, Mr. Chairman, I propose to read this testimonial and I shall ask that it be copied in the minutes of this evening's meeting, in order that it may become a permanent record of this Association."

Mr. Deering's resolution was carried unanimously.

The testimonial is beautifully engrossed on parchment and illuminated in gold and colors and is a work of art. It was signed by the officers and members of the Association who were present and was left at the Association rooms in charge of Secretary George J. Martin, for other members of the Association to sign.

The wording of the resolution is as follows:

*AFTER seven years of intensive service as president of the Bar Association of San Francisco, Judge Jeremiah F. Sullivan leaves that office to accept the presidency of the California Bar Association. That he may not go without some evidence of appreciation, some token of admiration of his fellow lawyers, they inscribe to him this testimonial:*

*To the task of leadership of this association he brought the spirit of fairness learned upon the bench, zeal and loyalty strengthened in years of active practice, civic devotion born of love for the city in which he lives and the highest sense of professional duty. With these aids he rallied the members of the bar during the period of the Great War and encouraged them in their gladly self-imposed work for their country. Having aroused the profession to a realization of its responsibility and its opportunity, thru his initiative the membership of the association was trebled. Not satisfied with numbers, he insisted upon action and thru practical measures, helpful to the administration of justice, he has raised the profession in the public regard. Tireless in his devotion to the association as is a man to his family, unmindful of his private interests, his enthusiasm has been an example to the entire bar.*

*To him, strong, modest, active, approachable, cheerful, helpful, warm in friendship, unswerving in his ideals, we, whose privilege it has been to be near him, make this avowal of our affection and of our esteem and voice our gratification that the profession of the State is to know the charm of his character and to feel the influence of his inspiration.*



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